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MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST SESSION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

Church at Mt. Moriah, Orange County,

SEPTEMBER 23D, 24TH AND 26TH, 1870.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Mt. Moriah, Orange County, N. C.,
September 23d, 1870.

The ministers and delegates from the following churches, to-wit: Antioch, Berea, Bethel, Cane Creek, Chapel Hill, Hillsboro', Lystra, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Moriah, Mt. Gillead, Mt. Hermon, and Rose of Sharon, convened with the Church at Mt. Moriah, on Friday, 23d day of September, A. D. 1870. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder W. R. Gualtney from Neh. VI, and part of 3d verse. After a short intermission, the ministers and delegates convened for organization, and formed a new Association, called Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

Elder G. W. Purefoy was elected Moderator and H. M. C. Stroud, Clerk.

The following churches presented letters which were read and their delegates enrolled.

Antioch.—Alvis Durham, H. M. C. Stroud.

Berea.—W. C. Mason, T. N. Shephard, A. N. Leigh.

Bethel.—M. M. Brewer, J. Q. Lloyd, Wm. Andrews.

Cane Creek.—*No letter.*—T. D. Oldham, J. F. Minor, Chesley Moore.

Chapel Hill.—P. H. McDade, N. Cheek, W. G. Weaver, J. N. Hutchins.

Hillsboro'.—R. D. Graham, J. Cheek, J. E. Jones.

Lystra.—W. E. Oldham, J. W. Oldham, W. C. Cole, G. O. Cole.

Mt. Carmel.—R. M. Daniel, H. Sparrow, J. M. Cheek.

Mt. Pisgah.—J. Horton, C. R. Scott, W. A. Marcom, M. D. Williams.

Mt. Moriah.—A. Maddry, W. Strain, W. T. Patterson.

Mt. Gilead.—J. W. Hackney, A. S. Garner, M. H. Haughton.

Mt. Hermon.—David Strayhorn, Ilia Coply, Henry Picket.

Rose of Sharon.—J. W. Carlton, Hiram Marcom, J. N. Cheek.

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The following ministers were enrolled as members of this Association:

Elders George W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, James P. Mason, M. S. Ferrell, W. R. Gualtney and R. A. Patterson.

On motion, Elder J. P. Mason and Brethren W. C. Cole, T. D. Oldham, J. R. Hutchins and H. S. Marcom were appointed a committee to prepare a constitution and rules of government for this Association, to report to-morrow morning.

On motion, P. H. McDade, J. C. Wilson, R. A. Patterson, Abel Maddry and William Andrews were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Committee of Arrangements reported:

1st. The Association shall convene at ten o'clock, A. M., and be opened and closed each day with religious exercises. Taking a recess, from one to two o'clock, P. M.

2d. Call roll of ministers and delegates.

3d. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.

4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order.

5th. Renew invitation to visiting brethren.

6th. Call for resolutions and queries.

7th. Appoint the following committees, viz:

On Finance.
" Church Letters.
" Sabbath Schools.
" Periodicals.
" Prayer and Prayer Meetings.
" Temperance.
" State Missions.
" Foreign Missions.
" Time and place of holding next Association.
" Dividing Association into districts.

8th. Appoint correspondents to sister Associations.

9th. Call for reports.

10th. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.

Ministering brethren present and corresponding messengers from sister associations invited to seats. Elder T. H. Pritchard, Chairman of Board of State Missions, Elders A. D. Blackwood and J. C. Marcom from the Raleigh Association, Elders T. H. Pritchard and J. G. Conover and Brother C. G. Strayhorn from Central. Elder F. M. Jordan from Beulah, accepted the invitation.

Appointed Brethren Nash Cheek and J. W. Hackney, a committee of finance.

Brother F. M. Jordan, the Deacons and Clerk of this Church appointed a committee on religious services.

Committee on State Missions.—Elders T. H. Pritchard, M. S. Ferrell and Brother F. D. Oldham.

Committee on Education.—Elder W. R. Gaultney, Brethren R. D. Graham and Abel Maddry.

Committee on Sabbath Schools.—Brethren R. D. Graham, J. W. Hackney, W. C. Cole and Alvis Durham.

Committee on Foreign Missions.—Elders J. C. Wilson, M. D. Williams and J. N. Hutchins.

Committee on Periodicals.—Elders J. C. Marcom, R. A. Patterson, and Brethren M. H. Horton and John Q. Lloyd.

Committee on Temperance.—Elder A. D. Blackwood, and Brethren Hiram Marcom and Manly M. Brewer.

Committee on Prayer and Prayer-Meetings.—Elder F. M. Jordan, and Brethren John Cheek and H. Sparrow.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning, ten o'clock. Prayer by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK,
September 24th, 1870.

The Association met according to adjournment. Religious exercises by Elder J. C. Wilson. Roll called; Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Committee on Constitution and Rules of Government reported, report adopted and ordered to be published as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to the churches, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who, by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment shall be entitled to seats.

Art. 3. The number of delegates from each Church shall not exceed four.

Art. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and deceased, during the preceding year, also the total number in fellowship, and the amount of funds sent up to the association, for what objects sent, also the amount expended by the Church, and for what objects expended, during the Associational year, and the amount of services rendered by pastor, and amount of salary promised pastor, and how much he received. Together with Sunday school statistics.

Art. 5. The members thus chosen and convened shall sit as an advisory council who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

Art. 6. In all their discussions and acts this Association, shall recognize Christ as the only law giver in Zion, and that every individual Church is an independent body, with executive, but no legislative power.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association, when requested by aggrieved churches, to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a Church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application, they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual applications will not be entertained.

Art. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any Church, that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists, as the true teachings thereof.

Art. 9. As soon as the Church letters are read and the names of the delegates, are enrolled the Association shall elect by ballot a moderator and clerk. The former elected annually, and the latter holding his office during the pleasure of the Association.

Art. 10. The clerk shall act as treasurer and disburse the funds as directed by the Association. He shall also annually transcribe the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose.

Art. 11. Baptist Churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received, and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given, that they are truly of our faith and order.

Art. 12. Amendments to this constitution may be made at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members, present concurring.

The Association called off to hear Elder T. H. Pritchard preach at the stand, after which it met, and took recess till two P. M., for dinner. Prayer by Elder R. A. Patterson.

Saturday, Two o'clock, P. M.

The Association met according to adjournment. The Rules of Order were read and adopted:

RULES OF ORDER.

Article 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer by the moderator or by some brother at his request.

Art. 2. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the clerk, and called over each day and the proceedings of the previous day read over before proceeding to other business.

Art. 3. All questions before the Association shall be decided by the living voice, except a division is called for, then by rising up.

Art. 4. No member shall speak more than twice, on any subject, without permission from the moderator.

Art. 5. It shall be the duty of members to obtain permission, before leaving the Association.

Art. 6. While a brother is speaking, it shall be deemed a breach of order, for any member to pass between the speaker and moderator, or to engage in conversation, or in any way to interfere with the speaker.

Art. 7. Every member must arise and address the moderator and confine himself strictly to the subject before the body, use appropriate language, address no member by any other appellation except that of brother, and cast no reflections on any member.

Art. 8. The moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, by calling some member

temporarily to the chair, and when requisite give the casting vote.

Art. 9. Written queries, from the churches, or from members, and resolutions, must be twice read, and assigned by the mover before they are received for discussion.

Art. 10. No motion, without a second, shall be received. The mover may withdraw his motion, if it is done before it is voted upon.

Art. 11. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend, which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

Art. 12. When a motion has been carried, it shall be in order, for any member who voted witb the majority, to move for the reconsideration on the same day.

Art. 13. All committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

Art. 14. The clerk shall make out a list of the members appointed upon each committee, stating the subject to be reported upon, and hand it to the chairman, as early as practicable.

Art. 15. Should any member violate any of the preceding rules of order, it shall be the duty of the moderator to call him to order. If he fail to do so, any member of the body shall have the same privilege.

Committee on State Missions reported, which was very ably discussed by Elder T. H. Pritchard, and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSION.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of State Missions beg leave to report.

The great Commission is still in force; the command to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, is as imparatively binding upon all Christians now, as it was upon the immediate disciples of Christ, to whom it was originally given. That Gospel however, which was to be preached among all nations was to begin at Jerusalam. It has been well said that man's duties lie around him in concentric circles, those which are nearest to him are of first importance. The Heathen should not be neglected, but it is our paramount duty to see to it

that the people of our own native land have the Gospel faithfully and effectually preached to them. It is a lamentable fact that there is great spiritual destitution in many parts of our beloved State. We rejoice that the strength of our denomination is mainly in the country, for in the country are to be found the bone and sinew of the land, but we must not fail to appreciate the Cities and Towns, for they are the seats of civilization, and the centres of influence. In many of our most thriving towns and villages, especially along the more important lines of travel, we either have no churches at all, or else very feeble ones, which can scarcely maintain an existence, and are able to exert but little influence over the communities in which they are located. The same is true in extended regions in the country, in which if the gospel is ever successfully established, help must be extended from more favored sections of the State.

Now to supply these destitute regions with the blessings of the Gospel, to build up these weak and feeble churches, and to preach the whole truth and nothing but the truth to every living soul in North Carolina, are now the objects contemplated in the formation of our district associations and the State Convention, and if our entire Baptist Zion were thoroughly enlisted in this stupendous enterprise; if we were so well organized that every church and every association would heartily co-operate with the Convention in this glorious work, we might hope soon to see the wilderness and solitary places made glad, and the desert blossoming as the rose.

The Baptist denomination of North Carolina numbering seventy-eight thousand souls, is a giant asleep. The want of faithfulness on the part of the ministry in not training their churches to habits of systematic benificence, the want of harmony in our efforts, and thorough organization in our associations are the causes which rob us of our strength, and prevent us from achieving a great and mighty work for the Lord. The man or men who shall succeed under God, in organizing the mighty energies of the Baptist hosts in North Carolina, will merit to be held in grateful and perpetual rememberance by all our people.

Were the funds in hand, the State Mission Board would require to appoint one hundred men to important fields in the State, the harvest is great but alas the laborers whom we have been able to send forth are few indeed.

During the past year we have had no paid agents in the employ of the board, the work of such an officer having been performed, as far as he was able, by the chairman of the board.

The Evangelists, Brethren H. Hatcher and E. Alison, have been at work in different parts of the State, and the Lord has blessed their labors with gratifying success, but alas nothing has been accomplished in comparison with what ought to have been done.

In view of the peculiar exegencies of the times, your Committee would in conclusion respectfully suggest the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, 1. That one great want of the church is more Ministers and better Ministers.

Resolved, 2. That we earnestly request the churches of this body to pray specially and fervently to the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth more laborers into his harvest.

Resolved, 3. That the hearty co-operation of our Zion were a consummation devoutly to be wished, and that to this end, we will give our labors and our prayers.

Resolved, 4. That we commend to the Pastors and churches of our body the adoption of a plan of systematic benificence, by which every member may be induced to give to the Lord, that the wants necessary for the prosecution of this great work may be supplied,

T. H. PRITCHARD, *Chairman.*

Collected for State and Foreign Missions,	$40.50
Amount sent up from Antioch Church,	32.70

The above amount paid over to Elder T. H. Pritchard, Chairman of Board State Missions.

Committee on Temperance reported. The subject discussed by Elders Blackwood, Jordan and others, and report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance submit the following:

The subject is one of vital importance to the churches at this time. For years the tide of intemperance has been stayed by the scarcity and high price of intoxicating liquors,

but now our land is crowded with distileries, and there will be a propotional increase of intemperance in the country and among the churches, and consequently our advice is to be temperate, which is highly important; therefore,

Resolved 1. That we recommend that all church members ought to abstain from the use of all intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Resolved 2. That we recommend to the churches not to hold any person in fellowship who is engaged in the traffic of buying and selling liquors as a beverage.

Resolved 3. That it is inconsistent with the christian character to manufacture intoxicating liquors to make drunkards, who are to be shut out of the Kingdon of Heaven.

A. D. BLACKWOOD, *Chairman.*

Appointed Elder J. P. Mason and brethren, P. H. McDade, Abel Maddry, G. W. Hackney and H. Marcom, a committee on time and place for holding the next session of this association.

Appointed brethren Alvis Durham, W. C. Mason, M. M. Brewer, T. D. Oldham, P. H. McDade, John Cheek, David Strayhorn, W. E. Oldham, James M. Cheek, John Haughton, A. Maddry, J. W. Hackney and J. W. Carlton, a committee on dividing the Association in Sections.

On motion adjourned till ten o'clock, Monday morning. Prayer by Elder J. P. Mason.

SABBATH MORNING, NINE O'CLOCK.

A Sunday School Mass Meeting was held in the church, singing conducted by Prof. Wilson, addresses by Elders Gualtney, Blackwood and Wilson, after which a very large congregation assembled at the stand. Elder J. C. Wilson preached from Gen. VI. and 3d, and at 2 o'clock, P. M. Eld. A. D. Blackwood preached Rev. XXII and 9d.

Collection taken up for Missions amounting to $11.19.

MONDAY MORNING, TEN O'CLOCK.
September 26, 1870.

Association met according to adjournment. Religious exercises by Elder R. A. Patterson. Roll called, proceedings of Saturday read and approved.

Committee on Education reported. The subject was ably discussed, by brother Graham, Elders Gualtney and Wilson, and adopted.

The following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the Clerk send a copy of the report on Education to the Biblical Recorder for publication, and that we respectfully ask all the other Associations in the State to adopt some plan by which they each can sustain a young minister of their own selection at the College.

W. R. GUALTNEY.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education respectfully submit the the following:

Never has there been a time in the history of our country when we were more in need of an educated Ministry. The Physician to heal the diseases of the body, must be acquainted with the causes and nature of those diseases, so the spiritual physician, going forth with the "leaves" that our divine Master has given for the healing of the nation, should apply them with the spirit and with the understanding.

He too should be acquainted with the nature of the mental diseases he is called to cure, in order to prove himself a worthy disciple of the Great Physician of souls. False philosophies and preversions of the human mind can only be eradicated by the spirit of truth. Let Christ's disciples be prepared to show in very truth, that the wisdom of man is foolishness in the sight of God. They should not conform to the fashion of the world, but they should be able to convince the world of its folly, and to fight against spiritual wickedness in high places. We congratulate the Church that many fully realize the importance of this great question—that they are preparing an army to drive the adversary from his walls of defence, and to pull down the

work of error whenever found. The College at Wake Forest has already sent out seventy-five ministers, while there ore twenty young men there now in course of preparation. Among the former we name brother M. T. Yates, who has labored so faithfully in China, and hopes soon with restored health, to return to the same field.

Many of us know the power of those who are about their master's business in our midst.

Let us have more of them. Your committee recommend that this association determine to support one student of the ministry at Wake Forest every year, and that we affectionately extend an invitation to all the associations in North Carolina to do as much for the support of our College, and the Glory of our Lord. We estimate that ten dollars from each Church would pay all necessary expense, as there would be no charge for tuition. Twenty cents laid by on the first day of each week by every Church, would suffice to raise this amount, and give our state, at the end of every collegiate term about thirty additional laborers instructed in the ways of the Lord, more perfectly." Can we not for this ensuing year pay this amount in advance, and let the churches here represented make arrangements, to select our first student. Let us not be indifferent to the education of your youth; especially should female education not be neglected. The arm that rocks the cradle rocks the world. All around us we see the blighting effects of error and heresies taught in childhood. Even with some of the most conscientious, the truth now cannot make them free. The tares and the wheat have grown up so closely together, that they cannot be separated till the final day of the harvest. How many fold more would have been the yield, if no tares had been sown.

In conclusion, we congratulate the brethren upon the successful inauguration of a fine Female School in Raleigh. We commend it to the prayer, and patronage of this Association.

R. D. GRAHAM, *Chairman.*

On motion, a committee of four ministers with the moderator, to-wit: Elders W. R. Gualtney, J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason and R. A. Patterson, were appointed to select a young man as a beneficiary at Wake Forest College, and

superintend and disburse the funds appropriated for that purpose.

On motion, agreed that the churches of this association pay each the sum of ten dollars to defray the expenses of a beneficiary the ensuing year, that the above committee may select. Pledges for the churches were made as follows: For Antioch, R. A. Patterson, $10; Hillsboro', R. D. Graham, $10; for Mt. Pisgah, Elder J. C. Wilson, $10; for Chapel Hill, by delegates, $10; for Bethel, by delegates, $10; for Cane Creek, Elder W. R. Gualtney, $10; Lystra, pledged by delegates, $10; Mt. Carmel, pledged by delegates, $10; Mt. Moriah, pledged by delegates, $10; Mt. Gilead, pledged by delegates, $10; Berea, pledged by delegates, $10; Mt. Hermon, pledged by delegates, $10; Rose of Sharon, pledged by delegates, $10. Total, $130.

Committee on dividing the association into sections reported. The report adopted.

Section 1st.	*Section 2d.*	*Section 3d.*
Mt. Gillead.	Antioch.	Chapel Hill.
Mt. Pisgah.	Cane Creek.	Mt. Moriah.
Lystra.	Bethel.	Mt. Hermon.
Mt. Carmel.	Hillsboro'.	Rose of Sharon.
		Berea.

ALVIS DURHAM, *Chairman.*

Committee on Finance reported:

Cash from the churches for printing Minutes,	$27	10
" for State Missions and Education, -	40	50
" sent up from Antioch, Missions and Education,	32	70
" collection on Sabbath, - - - -	11	15
	$111	45
Amount paid Elder T. H. Pritchard, - -	72	20
	$38	25

J. W. HACKNEY, *Chairman.*

Committee on periodicals reported. The matter was discussed, and the Biblical Recorder recommended to the patronage of the Association, and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals, beg leave to report that they have had the subject under consideration, and deem it a subject of importance to the denomination.

In every department of life there is a necessity for some organ to advocate the distinctive principles of that department; so of the different denominations in religion. If we would know what is occuring in connection with any denomination of christians, we must read their organ, so if we would know what is occuring among our own, we must read ours. The *Biblical Recorder*, published in Raleigh, is known to be the organ of the Baptists. I need scarcely refer to its merits. It is an excellent expuonder of our own principles. It is well conducted by our worthy Brother Mills, and is and will be a welcome visitor at any party or fire side.

We therefore recommend that every brother within the bounds of this association, but especially every head of a family, be a regular subscriber for that Periodical. We also recommend that for the benefit of the little ones they take *Kind Words*, published in Nashville, Tennessee.

J. C. MARCOM, *Chairman.*

No report from the Committee on prayer and prayer meetings, but the subject was discussed by Brethren P. H. McDade, Elders J. C. Wilson, R. A. Patterson and others, and the following resolutions adopted.

Resolved, As the harvest is great and the laborers few, it is the special duty of our churches to pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His harvest.

Resolved, That it is the duty of our churches to come together for religious exercises every Lord's day, whether they have preaching or not.

Resolved, That the discharge of this duty is well calculated to bring out prayer and ministerial gifts.

W. R. GUALTNEY.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported after the subject was discussed, by Brethren P. H. McDade, R. D. Graham, M. S. Ferrell and others. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools respectfully submit:

That on this subject the churches are not to the mark, the letters presented at this association indicate too great a degree of negligence in this important field. This body would be glad to know that each church has done something, and also definietly what has been done. A church can hardly be called alive without a good Sunday School.

It is recommended that Sunday School statistics be reported in accordance with Section 4, of our Constitution, embracing the following items: No. of Teachers, Male and Female; No. Scholars, Male and Female; Meets when and where ; Superintendent, his post office ; No. of Scholars converted in last year ; Copies of papers taken ; No. vols. in Library; Singing books used; Collections; Remarks.

R. D. GRAHAM, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That each Sabbath School in this Association, send three delegates to Antioch Church, at 11 A. M., on Friday before the fifth Sunday in October 1870, to organize a Sunday School Convention.

P. H. McDADE.

Committee on time and place of holding the next ses- of this Association reported; report adopted.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your Committee on time and place of holding the next Session of this Association, beg leave to report Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, A. D. 1871, as the time, and Mt. Pisgah Church, Chatham County, as the place.

J. P. MASON, *Chairman.*

Appointed Corresponding Messengers to Sister Associations as follows :

To Beulah.—Elder W. R. Gaultney, Brethren John Cheek, R. D. Graham, T. D. Oldham and C. Moore.

To Sandy Creek.—Brethrem A. Durham, M. M. Brewer, R. A. Patterson and Samuel Baldwin.

To Raleigh.—Elders J. C. Wilson, W. R. Gualtney, M. S. Ferrell and Brethren M. D. Williams, C. R. Scott, J. W. Hackney, W. H. Haughton and W. C. Mason.

To Central.—Brethren J. N. Cheek, W. F. Patterson, W. G. Weaver, H. Marcom, and R. P. Strayhorn.

To Flat River.—Elder M. S. Ferrell, and Brethren W. T. Patterson, R. D. Graham, A. Maddry.

Appointed Thursday before the fifth Sunday in October next, a day of prayer and thanksgiving to God for his bountiful kindness to us in that he has blessed us with such bountiful crops.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported, the subject discussed by Elders Gualtney, Wilson and Patterson, and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee is of opinion that the subject of Foreign Missions, is one of paramount importance.

First, from the fact that it proposes to do what Christ has commanded, in the Great Commission, Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature.

Second, because it has for its object the evangelization of the world, and the salvation of sinners.

Third, for the reason that there never has been a time in the Christian era, when Christian effort was as much called for, in this direction, as the present.

Without multiplying words, and consuming time, we would say nearly the whole heathen world is open for the preaching of the Gospel.

We, your committee, feel that we, are a whole, as not doing our duty, in this branch of the Christian work. According to some statistical facts given in the Home and Foreign Journal, we find that during the last fiscal year, the fifteen Southern States with five hundred and three associations, ninety-two hundred and eight churches, seven hundred thousand three hundred and twenty-two members, contributed twenty-one thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars and thirty-nine cents, being about two-and-one-third dollars to each Church, and less than three cents to each member. We think this is far less than ought to be done.

Resolved, therefore, That this association regard this subject as worthy the support of every Christian and that we, as a body, will do all we can to send the Gospel to the heathen.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to have a copy of Statistical Table to be used by clerks of churches, and superintendents of Sabbath schools, printed with the minutes.

On motion, this association allowed the clerk ten dollars for his services.

Elder G. W. Purefoy appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon at the session of the next association on Friday, at twelve o'clock. Elder J. P. Mason, Alternate.

On motion, Elder W. R. Gualtney appointed to preach a Missionary Sermon on Sunday of the next meeting of this association.

The following delegates were appointed to the Baptist State Convention: Elders J. C. Wilson, W. R. Gualtney, J. P. Mason, M. S. Ferrell, R. A. Patterson, R. D. Graham, W. F. Patterson, Thomas D. Oldham, Wm. Griffin, M. H. Haughton, Alvis Durham, John Cheek.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next association.

Parting address and prayer by Elder W. R. Gualtney.

G. W. PUREFOY, *Moderator.*

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post Office.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	S. Baldwin,	A. Durham,	Chapel Hill,	15			6	11		147	$2 50
Berea,	A. D. Blackwood,	W. C. Mason,	Durham's,	7			3		1	52	1 10
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	S. C. Durham,	Chapel Hill,	2			12	2	1	82	2 00
Cane Creek,	W. R. Gualtney,	D. M. Sykes,	Oaks,	No		le	tt	er		230	2 00
Chapel Hill,	W. R. Gualtney,	P. H. McDade,	Chapel Hill,				7	2	1	69	2 00
Hillsboro',	W. R. Gualtney,	J. M. Blackwood,	Hillsboro',	St	at	is	tic	s n	ot	give	n 1 50
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	1			12		2	91	3 00
Mt. Carmel,		J. S. Tilly,	Chapel Hill,				2	1	1	49	1 50
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	J. W. Beavers,	Green Level,		5		15	3	3	247	3 00
Mt. Moriah,	F. M. Jordan,	W. T. Patterson,	Chapel Hill,	22	1		2	3	3	156	2 00
Mt. Gillead,	J. C. Wilson,	J. W. Hackney,	Chapel Hill,							117	2 50
Mt. Hermon,	Jesse Howell,	A. C. Hunter,	Hillsboro',							141	2 00
Rose of Sharon,		J. W. Cheek,	Durham's,		4	1	9	1	2	145	2 00

Form of Tables to be used by Clerks of Churches and Superintendents of Sunday Schools.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF CHURCH, CLERK.

Location	Time of Meeting.	Pastor.	Pastor's P. O.	Clerk's P. O.	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismiss'd by letter.	Excluded.	Deceased	Male.	Females.	Total.

CONTRIBUTION OF CHURCH, CLERK.

Am't sent to Association.	For State Missions.	For Education Fund.	For Foreign Missions.	Association Fund.	Services rendered by Pastor.	Pastor's Salary.	Pastor Received.	Remarks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OF CHURCH, SUPT.

No. Teachers.	Males.	Females.	No. Scholars.	Males.	Females.	When Meet.	Where Meets.	Superintendent.	Superintendent's Post Office.	Copies of Papers Taken.	No. Volumes in Library.	Books used in Singing.	Collections.

MINUTES

OF THE

SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

MT. PISGAH, CHATHAM COUNTY,

SEPTEMBER 22, 23 AND 25, 1871.

RALEIGH:
NICHOLS & GORMAN, BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS.
1871.

1 [illegible]
2 M. D. Williams
3 [illegible] Williams
4 Wm Bachelor
5 [illegible] Harwood
6 W. H. Lewis
7 Wm. H. Barton
8 Madison Potts
9 Lewis [illegible]

PROCEEDINGS.

Mt. Pisgah, Chatham County, N. C.,
September 22*d*, 1871.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association, held its second annual session with the Mt. Pisgah Church, Chatham County, N. C., commencing on Friday, September 22d, 1871.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder George W. Purefoy, from Acts xx: 26 and 27. Subject: *Ministerial Responsibility.*

A recess of one hour was given, after which the Association was called to order by Elder G. W. Purefoy, our former Moderator. Religious exercises by Eld. Rich'd A. Patterson.

The churches were then called, and responded with letters and their delegates as follows:

Antioch.—Alvis Durham, John R. Ward, Wm. G. Eubanks D. M. Durham.

Bereah.—*George M. Shepherd, Erasmus Pope, *Leroy M. Hurst.

Bethel.—C. W. Lloyd, Henry W. Lloyd, Manly M. Brewer, *Sidney S. Durham.

Cane Creek.—Thos. D. Oldham, Wyatt Cates, Wm. Cheek, *David M. Sykes.

Chapel Hill.—Wm. G. Weaver, *John R. Hutchins, Thos. F. Cheek John H. Weaver.

Hillsboro'.—Alfred P. Stroud, *W. H. Newman, John M. Blackwood.

Lystra.—Wm. C. Cole, Y. A. Oldham, G. O. Cole, J. C. Horton.

Mt. Carmel.—Huston Sparrow, James M. Cheek, R. M. Daniel.

Mt. Pisgah.—C. R. Scott, John Horton, Josiah Scott, James W. Hilliard.

Mt. Moriah.—Wm. A. Maudry, *R. P. Strayhorn, W. T. Patterson.

Mt. Gilead.—A. S. Garner, M. H. Haughton, J. J. Knight M. D. Temples.

Mt. Hermon.—A. J. Carroll, *J. C. Strayhorn, *K. B. Duke.

Olive's Chapel.—Dan'l Johnson, M. Beckwith, F. Johnson, C. Ragan.

Pleasant Grove.—M. T. Horton, L. P. Carrol S. Eubanks.

Rose of Sharon.—J. N. Cheek, *J. W. Carlton, *R. J. Hall.

The delegates, marked *, did not attend.

Brethren A. P. Stroud and J. M. Blackwood were appointed to superintend the election of a moderator, who re-

ported the election of Elder George W. Purefoy as Moderator of this Association.

Petitionary letters were called for, upon which the Church at Olive's Chapel, Wake County, with a letter of dismission from the Raleigh Association; and the Church at Pleasant Grove, Chatham County, with a letter of dismission from the Sandy Creek Association, with their delegates as above enrolled, were received as members into fellowship with this body.

Ministers present enrolled as members of this Association as follows: Elders Geo. W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, W. R. Gualtney, James P. Mason, Mathew S. Ferrell and Rich'd A. Patterson.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Elder J. B. Boon, reported as a visitor from the Chowan Association.

Elders J. P. Montague, J. C. Marcom and A. D. Blackwood reported as corresponding from the Raleigh Association, and Bro. W. H. Pace, from the Central Association.

Elder J. B. Boon and Bro. W. H. Pace announced themselves as visiting in the interest of the *Biblical Recorder* and were received as such.

On motion, the order of business of the last meeting of this Association, with some amendments, were adopted as follows:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. The Association shall convene at ten o'clock, A. M., taking recess from one till two o'clock, P. M.
2. Call roll of Ministers and Delegates.
3. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4. Read Constitution and Rules of Order.
5. Renew invitation to visiting brethren.
6. Call for resolutions and queries.
7. Appoint the following Committees, viz:
   On Finance; on Church Letters; on Sabbath Schools; on Periodicals; on Prayer and Prayer-Meetings; on Temperance; on State Missions; on Foreign Missions; on Time and Place of holding next Association.
8. Call on correspondents to report.
9. Appoint correspondents to Sister Associations.
10. Call for reports.
11. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Finance.—Brothers Alvis Durham and J. N. Cheek.
" Sabbath Schools.—Bro. W. T. Patterson and Eld. J. C. Marcom.
" Periodicals.—Brothers W. H. Pace and T. D. Oldham.
" Temperance.—Elder R. A. Patterson and M. M. Brewer.
" State Missions.—Elder W. R. Gualtney and Wyatt Cates.
" Foreign Missions.—Elder A. D. Blackwood and A. Maudry.
" Education.—Elders M. S. Ferrell and J. C. Wilson.
" Church Letters.—Bros. H. M. C. Stroud and J. M. Blackwood.
" Prayer and Prayer-Meetings.—Elder J. P. Mason and A. Garner.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of this Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the sitting of this body, except for preaching on Sabbath.

On motion, eleven o'clock, A. M., to-morrow, (Saturday,) be set for the meeting of the Sabbath School Convention.

On motion, adjourned till [illegible] o'clock, A. M., to-morrow. Prayer, Elder W. R. Gualtney, leading.

Saturday Morning, 10 o'clock,
September 23*d*, 1871.

Association convened. Religious exercises by Eld. J. B. Boon.

Roll called, proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

The Constitution and Rules of Order read.

Invitation to corresponding messengers renewed.

Elder D. C. Murchison and Bro. G. P. Moore, from the Sandy Creek Association, accepted an invitation and seats with us.

On motion, the Constitution was referred to a Committee of Elder W. R. Gualtney, Bros. Thomas D. Oldham and W. T. Patterson for revision.

Committee on Periodicals reported. The subject discussed by Elders Boon and Gaultney, and report adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

To an intelligent cultivated people, the importance of a Religious Journal is at all times conceded. To give vent to the minds of the young, and thus lead them into channels of morality and virtue, a good religious paper is of incalculable value. It accomplishes what no other

literature will, by inciting the young to read. Hence, the importance of a well selected Sabbath School paper, and as such, we recommend *Kind Words.*

But in order that the Baptists of any State may be informed, as to the workings of their brothers, and their hearts beat in unison with each other, an efficient, high-toned Religious Organ is an absolute prerequisite. We think that the *Biblical Recorder*, under the management of its able and proficient Editors, accomplishes this end. We therefore recommend a more hearty support of the *Recorder*, and that this body use increased efforts for the extension of its circulation.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. PACE, *Chairman.*

Report on Sabbath Schools read and submitted to the Sabbath School Convention for discussion, and adopted by this body:

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools respectfully submit the following: We are glad to report a Sabbath School in every church within the bounds of this Association. The Statistics of which are as follows:

ANTIOCH.—Organized March 5th, 1871:

ALVIS DURHAM, Sup't, White Cross.

Number of Officers and Teachers,	9
Average attendance,	6
Scholars enrolled,	52
Average attendance of Scholars,	40
Number of months held during the year,	12
Church members in School,	20
" " not in "	91
Number in School that attend Church,	61
" volumes in Library,	200
Money expended for the School,	$6.15
Money raised during the year,	7.43

The School makes weekly contributions.

JAS. H. DURHAM, Vice-President.

BEREA.—No Report.

BETHEL.—M. M. BREWER, Sup't, Chapel Hill.

No. of Officers and Teachers,	12
Average attendance,	8
No. of Scholars enrolled,	48
Average attendance,	36
No. of months held during the year,	7
Church members in School,	16
" " not in "	65
No. in School that attend Church,	48
" " Volumes in Library,	100
Money expended for the School,	$4.60

C. W. FLOYD, Vice-President.

CANE CREEK.—Organized 4th Saturday in April, 1871.

G. W. P CATES, Sup't, Rock Spring.

No. of Officers and Teachers,	10
" Scholars enrolled,	102
Average attendance,	75
Months held during the year,	5
Church members in School,	36
Scholars that attend Church,	100

T. D. OLDHAM, Vice-President.

CHAPEL HILL.—Organized 2nd Sabbath in March, 1855.

P. H. MCDADE, Sup't, Chapel Hill.

No. of Officers and Teachers,	13
Average attendance,	12
No. Scholars enrolled,	82
Average attendance,	68
Months held in the year,	12
Church members in School,	17
" " not in "	55
No. of Scholars that attend Church not kept,	
" " Volumes in Library, about	500
No. copies Sabbath School paper taken,	30
Money expended for School,	$80.00
Money raised in School during the year,	85.00

P. H. MCDADE, Vice-President.

HILLSBORO.—Organized April 22nd, 1854.

JAMES E. JONES, Sup't, Hillsboro.

No. of Officers and Teachers,	13
Average attendance,	10
Scholars enrolled,	37
Average attendance,	30
No. of months held in the year,	12
Church members in School,	14
No. of volumes in Library,	200
Copies of Sabbath School papers,	15

MT. CARMEL.—Organized 1th Sabbath in June, 1871.

ROBERT DANIEL, Sup't, Chapel Hill.

Officers and Teachers,	5
Average attendance,	4
Scholars enrolled,	30
Average attendance,	25
Months held in the year,	4
Church members in School,	3
" " not in "	47
Scholars that attend Church,	25
Volumes in Library,	61

W. H. FLOYD, Vice-President.

MT. MORIAH.—Organized May, 1870.

W. T. PATTERSON, Sup't, Chapel Hill.

Officers and Teachers,	10
Average attendance,	5
Scholars enrolled,	54

Average attendance,	30
Church members in School,	8
" " not in "	64
Scholars that attend Church,	35
Volumes in Library,	60
Copies of Sabbath School paper taken,	32
Money expended for School,	$2.25
Money raised for School,	2.25

ABEL MAURY, Vice-President.

OLIVE'S CHAPEL.—Organized 3rd Saturday in April, 1870.

D. P. JOHNSON, Sup't, Green Level,

Officers and Teachers,	18
Average attendance,	12
Scholars enrolled,	115
Average attendance,	75
Months held during the year,	6
Church Members in School,	50
Scholars that attend Church generally,	115
Volumes in Library,	200
Copies of "Kind Words" taken,	30
Money expended for the School,	$10 00
Money raised by the School,	$ 7 50

The following churches having failed to send in their reports to the Secretary, the following statistics have been gleaned from their church letters:

LYSTRA.—Y. A. OLDHAM, Sup't, Chapel Hill,

Officers and Teachers,	10
Scholars enrolled,	40

W. E. OLDHAM, Vice-President.

MT. GILLEAD.—A. S. GARNER, Superintendent, Grove.

Officers and Teachers,	6
Scholars enrolled,	69
Sabbath School papers taken,	—
Books used in singing,	Happy Voices.

MT. HERMON.—Scholars enrolled, 40

MT. PISGAH.—ELDER M. S. FERREL, Sup't, Green Level.

Officers and Teachers,	10
Scholars enrolled,	67
Months held during the year,	12
Copies of papers taken,	—
Volumes in Library,	200
Books used in singing,	D. H. & Tune Book.
Money raised for School,	$ —

PLEASANT GROVE.—LEWIS HARWARD, Superintendent, Grove.

Scholars enrolled,	58

ROSE OF SHARON.—J. N. CHEEK, Sup't, Durham.

Officers and Teachers,	6
Scholars enrolled,	40
Volumes in Library,	50
Sunday School papers taken,	—
Money raised for School,	$ —

Total of Officers and Teachers,	125
Total of Scholars enrolled,	832
Total number of Volumes in Libraries,	1,371

While these statistics show that the churches are progressing in this department of Christian labor, yet we must say that they have not given that attention to the subject which its importance demands. The Sabbath School work is an important work, and perhaps in no other field of labor can the churches accomplish more good than in this.

Your Committee, therefore, earnestly recommend that the churches increase their efforts to carry on this great work, and that they will not cease until every member and every child is enlisted in the Sabbath School cause. And that they make a report, annually, of all their statistics to the Sabbath School Convention.

W. T. PATTERSON, Chairman.

The Association called off until 2 o'clock, P. M., to give place to the Sabbath School Convention.

SATURDAY EVENING, 2 o'clock.

The Association met and proceeded to business, Elder Johnson Olive, Corresponding Messenger from the Raleigh Association, accepted a seat with us.

Committee on State Missions reported.

On motion, after the subject was ably discussed by Elders Gualtney, J. C. Wilson and Purefoy, the report was laid on the table until Monday morning, for further action.

On motion, agreed that the Committee on Religious Exercises, take charge of the arrangements for preaching for to-morrow, except as to the Missionary Sermon already appointed.

The Committee on Temperance reported. The subject was discussed by Elders Blackwood and Patterson, and report adopted :

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance submit the following. The subject of temperance demands special attention. We desire that something shall be done to impress the minds of our brethren especially to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, as we think the cause of Christ has been greatly injured by its continual use.

Therefore resolved, that we disapprove of the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Respectfully Submitted,

R. A. PATTERSON, *Chairman.*

Report on Foreign Missions read and laid on the table until Monday.

On motion, agreed to take up a public collection, after the Missionary Sermon on to-morrow for the benefit of Elder M. T. Yates' chapel in China.

On motion, decided to hold the next annual meeting of this Association, with the Antioch Church, Orange County, N. C., to convene on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in September, A. D., 1872.

On motion, adjourned until half past nine o'clock, A. M., Monday. Prayer, Elder J. P. Mason leading.

SABBATH MORNING, 9 o'clock.

A Sabbath School Mass Meeting was held at the stand in the grove, addressed by Elders D. C. Murchison and J. Olive.

At eleven o'clock, Elder W. R. Gualtney preached from 14th chapter of the Gospel by John, 15th and a part of 21st, 23d and 24th verses, after which a collection was taken for the benefit of Elder M. T. Yates' Chapel in China, amounting to $40.00.

At two o'clock, P. M., Elder Johnson Olive preached from 19th verse of the 3d chapter of the Gospel by John.

MONDAY MORNING, 9½ o'clock.

The Association met. Religious exercises by Elder J. P. Mason.

Committee on Finance reported.

On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance report that we

Received from Churches for our Beneficiary,	$101 85
" " " " State Missions,	57 57
" " " " Foreign Missions,	45 98
" " " " Association fund,	29 00
Collection on Sabbath,	40 00
Total,	$274 40

Paid to Treasurer, $274.40.

ALVIS DURHAM, Chairman.

The report on State Missions was called for and again read. The subject of procuring a Minister to labor as a missionary in the field immediately west of the present bounds of this Association, was discussed, after which the report was adopted:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions submit the following:

The commission given by our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," was not only binding upon the Apostles and first Christians, who, after it was preached in Jerusalem, went everywhere preaching the Word; but it lays under tribute all our powers and all our means. As long as we remain in the world, we may be assured that we have a work to do. We are workers together with God. A woe is denounced against them that are at ease in Zion. We learn from the parable of the talents, that none are exempt, however poor—however weak. There was just as strict accounting with the man who had but one talent, as with him who had five. But why do we need any exhortation to this work? Why, we should never get done thanking God, that he has called us to this glorious work. He has conferred eternal honors on us, in elevating us to share with Him in the work of spreading the Gospel and saving men. This is God's grandest and most glorious work. He stamped it, as first, when He spilt His blood for its accomplishment upon Calvary. We must not make that secondary, which God Almighty has stamped as first. To the accomplishment of this work He has ordered the Providences ever since the world began. There never was a kingdom built up, but that was built up in subserviency to this work; there never was an empire or kingdom overthrown, but that was overthrown in subserviency to this work. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love," &c.

He overrules all things, and makes them coalesce in making out the consummation of this work.

Shall we make that work secondary to money-getting—that work which we pursue with a steadfastness which knows no abatement—with a zeal which spares no sacrifice? No, let us rise up and take hold of this work as we ought—let the great work possess our souls with that fulness which its reality demands, and we will lose sight of ourselves in view of the greatness of the work. We will then count all things for Jesus, and nothing for self.

Then we will have no interest, and seek no interest, that will not tend

to the carrying out of the great commission which we received from our Saviour. The Baptists of North Carolina have reason to thank God and take courage. The old debts of the State Mission Board are all paid. The efficient Corresponding Secretary, Elder J. D. Hufham, informs us that there are eight missionaries in the field this year, who have baptized one hundred into the fellowship of the church since last Convention. We wish to do a great deal more next year. Ours is an aggressive work. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." We are to press on—still on—till the Gospel is preached in all the world to every creature.

We are a young body—only one year old. Shall we wait till we grow older before we do anything? He who does no work till grown is a weakly man. Let us begin to work now, and when we grow to be a large body we will be strong men and women in Christ Jesus. As an Association, we have no missionaries in the field; allow your Committee to suggest that we take steps at this meeting to put an efficient man beyond Haw River, in Alamance county. There is only one Baptist church in the county, and not a single Baptist Minister.

We claim to be nearer the truth than any other denomination; then it is our duty to exert ourselves to send the pure Gospel into every portion of the earth.

W. R. GAULTNEY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Moderator appointed an executive board, to whom the subject of Missions within the bounds of this Association, shall be referred. Committee as follows: Elder W. R. Gaultney, Thos. D. Oldham, M. D. Williams, R. A. Patterson, J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason and G. W. Purefoy.

The report on Foreign Missions taken up and the subject discussed by Elders Gualtney, Wilson Patterson and Purefoy, and adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee submit the following: The Foreign Mission work commends itself to our serious and prayerful consideration, that it may continue to progress until the heathen shall become the inheritance of the Lord, and the uttermost parts of the earth as His possession. But the enquiry is made, will this ever be done. If we ask we are told that it shall be so. If we look at what has been done in the short space of time that they have been operating, and the success which has attended their labors; it will be so. Eighty-one years ago Cary, the first Missionary went among the Karens, and now more than twenty thousand profess faith in Christ. Sixty years ago, nothing had been done in the South Seas, now there are two hundred thousand communicants. Twenty-four years ago, our beloved brother Yates went from this sacred spot, and now thirty thousand Chinamen, are ready to listen to the Gospel of Christ. If such has been the success in so short a period, what may we not expect in centuries to come, with earnest prayer and liberal contributions for the accomplishment of this object.

A. D. BLACKWOOD, *Chairman.*

Committee on Education reported, and report adopted:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of education submit the following:

The subject of education is among all others the most important, or rather, second to none other than the Christian Religion. It is through the instrumentality of the educated part of our people, that we are not now as ignorant of the glorious gospel of Christ as the Pagan world, who has not the advantages of an educated mind to proclaim the unsearchable riches of Christ. It is very essential that we should have educated men to preach the Gospel to the heathen, in order to more successfully overcome the worship of idols, that is so deeply instilled in them from their youth. Your Committee beg leave to submit it as the sense of this body, that one great want of the churches is more ministers and better ministers. If we had more ministers our churches could follow the New Testament plan of worshiping each Sabbath, instead of once a month, and if we had better ministers the spirituality and efficiency of the churches would necessarially be greatly improved.

Preachers are teachers, in the highest sense of the term. They are the officers in the army of the Lord, and the churches are in a large measure what the training of the pastor makes them. We acknowledge with gratitude that many uneducated ministers, have been the leading instruments in the hands of God of accomplishing much good. We would not prescribe the amount of education that is necessary to a successful proclamation of the gospel, but we are decidedly of opinion that in this age of improvement, general intelligence and a liberal mental culture is a most valuable auxiliary to the usefulness of a minister of Christ.

Churches are calling for preachers, Associations are calling. The whole State is crying aloud for men to preach the word. If God has called one to preach, he ought to preach, but many are kept back in this age by the want of an education.

The Association should look out among them for every young man that feels that he is called of God to preach, and assist him in acquiring an education. We hear that many endorse the plan of the Association in sustaining at least one beneficiary at Wake Forrest College.

M. S. FERRELL, *Chairman.*

Report of Treasurer of Executive Committee.

George W. Purefoy, Treasurer, &c.,

In account with Association, Dr.

To amount received from churches pledged last year,	$110 00
" " paid by Elder J. S. Purefoy,	5 00
Cr.	$115 00
By paid expenses of Brother Vernon at College, Mt. Gillead and Mt. Hermon yet unpaid.	$115 00

G. W. PUREFOY, *Treasurer.*

The Association agreed to send another beneficiary to Wake Forest College. Our beneficiary, Brother Vernon, was present and made some very touching remarks. He asked the Association to send another young brother to the College, and he would share with him the amount raised, that if a small amount of provisions could be sent, it would support them About $75.00 worth was pledged in a few minutes without being called for.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION.

Your Committee recommend the striking out that portion of Article 4, which relates to the funds expended by the churches, and for what objects expended, and amounts promised and paid.

And the following change in Article 9: the officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, the former to be elected annually by ballot, the latter to be also elected by ballot, but to hold his office during the pleasure of the Association.

W. R. GUALTNEY, *Chairman.*

Report adopted as amendatory to the Constitution.

Appointed Corresponding Messengers to Sister Associations as follows:

To Beulah.—Elders J. C. Wilson, W. R. Gualtney and Brethren Thos. D. Oldham and John Cheek.

To Sandy Creek.—Elders J. C. Wilson, R. A. Patterson and Brethren J. W. Hackney and A. B. Roberson.

To Raleigh.—Elders M. S. Ferrell, J. C. Wilson, and Brethren M. H. Haughton, C. R. Scott and J. S. Wilson.

To Central.—Elders J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson and Brethren W. T. Patterson and J. N. Cheek.

To Flat River.—Elder M S. Ferrell, Brethren W. T. Patterson and R. J. Hall.

Committee on Prayer and Prayer Meetings reported, the subject discussed and report adopted:

REPORT ON PRAYER AND PRAYER MEETINGS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Prayer and Prayer Meetings submit the following:

First—It is the duty of all men, everywhere, to pray. The Apostle says: "I will, therefore, that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands."

Second—Prayer Meetings are absolutely necessary for the spiritual well-being of any church or community of Christians. Our experience teaches

us that churches which do not maintain regular Prayer Meetings are slow in duty, while those churches that do maintain regular stated Prayer Meetings are ready to every good word and work. Love to the brethren is strengthened in the prayer meetings—anxiety for souls is more keenly felt by those who regularly attend prayer meetings. The prayer meeting, if it does not engender, it certainly does greatly enhance the missionary spirit; hence we see those churches where prayer meetings are regularly held, doing much more for the cause of Missions; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the delegates composing this Association, will return to our respective churches, determined to organize and maintain stated prayer meetings, and will give ourselves no rest until we have enlisted the co-operation of our entire membership in the prayer meetings.

J. P. MASON, *Chairman.*

Committee on Church Letters reported, and report adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee on Church Letters submit that we have examined the letters from the churches, and find them to contain very little that would be interesting to the Association, beyond the statistics.

This Association was organized last year with a membership of...	1,587
Aggregate addition to the several churches this year,.....	73
Membership of Pleasant Grove is.....	52
Membership of Olive's Chapel	213
	1,925
The several churches, during the past year, have dismissed, excluded and deceased, ...	170
Total membership at present,.....	1,755

Three of our churches, to wit: Chapel Hill, Lystra and Rose of Sharon, have been blessed with gracious revivals of religion during the year, and have added to their numbers by baptism forty members.

Your Committee would recommend that the Clerks of the churches, in their letters, communicate to the Association all the interesting workings of their churches.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Chairman.*

Elder M. S. Ferrel appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon at the next annual meeting of this Association.

Elder J. C. Wilson to preach a Missionary Sermon on Sabbath, at the next annual meeting.

Appointed the following brethren delegates to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, to meet in Charlotte, on Wednesday, the 8th day of November, 1871, to-wit: Elders W. R. Gualtney, James P. Mason, John C. Wilson, M. S. Ferrel, R. A. Patterson, and brethren Thos. D. Oldham, John M. Blackwood, W. C. Cole, M. D. Williams, R. M. Daniel, Alvis Durham and W. T. Patterson.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. M. C. Stroud, *Treasurer.*

In account with Association,

1871.			
Sept. 25.	To Cash received for	Education,.....	$101 85
	" " " "	Foreign Missions.....	45 97
	" " " "	State "	57 57
	" " " "	Col. Sab., Yates' Chapel,	40 00
	" " " "	Association Fund.....	29 00
		Total,	$274 39

By Cash paid Treasurer Executive Committee,	$101 85	
" " " " Oct., last year, - -	11 00	
" " " Printing Minutes, 1871, - -	18 00	
" " Lent Baptist State Convention,	143 54	$274 39

H. M. C. Stroud, *Treasurer.*

On motion, directed the Clerk to have Minutes printed, to the amount of money paid to the Association Fund, after deducting $11.00 due him for last year, and distribute to the churches, in proportion to the amount paid by each.

Any member of our Association, visiting Sister Associations, may be considered as a corresponding delegate as if appointed.

On motion, adjourned to the time and place appointed for the next annual meeting of this Association.

Concluding remarks and prayer by Elder J. C. Marcom.

G. W. PUREFOY,
Moderator.

H. M. C. Stroud,
Clerk.

Upon comparing the Statistical Table of last year with the membership reported this year, it will be seen that there is a loss of twenty-three members, not accounted for. Below I give a table showing the total membership of the churches as reported last year to be 1,588. The aggregate additions this year are 72. Membership of Olive's Chapel and Pleasant Grove Churches added this year is 265. Aggregate loss in membership, as reported this year, is 180; present membership is 1,755, instead of 1,732.

	Total, 1870.	*Additions,* 1871.	*Loss,* 1871.	*Total reported,* 1871.	*Should be.*
Antioch,	147	4	18	134	133
Bereah,	52	2	2	54	52
Bethel,	82	2	7	81	77
Cane Creek,	230		8	222	222
Chapel Hill,	69	13	10	72	72
Hillsboro',	62		1	61	61
Lystra,	91	20	5	103	106
Mt. Carmel,	49		2	47	47
Mt. Pisgah,	247	3	19	229	231
Mt. Moriah,	156		90	72	66
Mt. Gillead,	117	2	1	95	118
Mt. Hermon,	141	5	1	145	145
Olive's Chapel,				213	213
Pleasant Grove,				52	52
Rose of Sharon,	145	21	6	152	160
	1,588	72	170	1,732	1,755
Gain this year,	72				
2 churches added,	265				
	1,755 total membership for 1871.				

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST-OFFICE.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	J. P. Mason,	A. Durham,	White Cross,	1	3	....	1	15	2	134	$ 2 50
Bereah,	A. D. Blackwood,	D. C. Gunter,	Durham,	....	2	..	....	2	....	54	1 00
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	S. C. Durham,	White Cross,	....	2	..	....	6	1	81	2 00
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	D. M. Sykes,	Oaks,	....	....	....	4	3	1	222	3 00
Chapel Hill,	W. R. Gualtney,	P. H. McDade,	Chapel Hill,	6	7	....	7	1	2	72	2 00
Hillsboro',	W. R. Gualtney,	James E. Jones,	Hillsboro',	....	....	....	1	....	....	61	1 50
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	15	5	....	3	2	....	103	1 50
Mt. Carmel,	W. R. Gualtney,	J. S. Tilly,	Chapel Hill,	....	....	....	2	....	....	47	1 50
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	J W. Beavers,	Green Level,	2	...	1	11	5	3	229	3 00
Mt. Moriah,	F. M. Jordan,	W. T. Patterson,	Chapel Hill,	....	....	....	85	4	1	72	2 00
Mt. Gilead,	J. C. Wilson,	J. W. Hackney,	Grove,	1	1	....	....	1	....	95	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	J. Howell,	T. J. Whitaker,	Hillsboro',	....	5	....	....	1	....	145	1 50
Olive's Chapel,	J. C. Wilson,	J. C. Ragan,	.....	8	3	1	4	3	....	213	2 00
Pleasant Grove,	M. S. Ferrell,	M. T. Horton,	Grove,	....	....	....	2	....	....	52	1 00
Rose of Sharon,	F. M. Jordan,	J. W. Cheek,	Durham,	19	2	....	3	1	2	152	2 50
											$29 00

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

ANTIOCH, ORANGE CO., N. C.,

September 20th, 21st and 23d, 1872.

RALEIGH:
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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ELD. J. C. WILSON, MODERATOR, Merry Oaks, N. C.
H. M. C. STROUD, CLERK, Saxapahaw, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

GEORGE W. PUREFOY,	Chapel Hill,	N. C.
JOHN C. WILSON,	Merry Oaks,	"
JAMES P. MASON,	Chapel Hill,	"
MATHEW S. FERRELL,	Green Level,	"
SAMUEL BALDWIN,	Snipes' Store,	"
W. T. FARROW,	Chapel Hill,	"
JESSE HOWELL,	Green Level,	"
T. BOLING,	" "	"

LICENTIATES.

J. H. VERNON,	Forestville,	N. C.
J. M. HILLIARD,	Green Level,	"
G. P. MOORE,	Pittsboro',	"

PROCEEDINGS.

ANTIOCH, ORANGE COUNTY, N. C.,
September 20th, 1872.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association held its third annual session with the Church at Antioch, Orange County, N. C., commencing on Friday, September 20th, 1872.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. P. Montague from 1 Cor. ii chap. 2 verse. Elder M. S. Ferrell being absent.

A recess of one hour was given, after which the Association was called to order by Eld. G. W. Purefoy, Moderator, prayer by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

The churches were then called and responded with letters and their delegates as follows:

Antioch.—Alvis Durham, Dr. A. B. Roberson, Wm. G. Eubanks and John R. Ward.

Bereah.—*Walter A. Barbee, Charles Mason and Henry Leigh.

Bethel.—Merit Cheek, Wm. G. Andrews, M. M. Brewer and Sidney C. Durham.

Cane Creek.—Thos. D. Oldham, Wm. Cheek, A. P. Cates and David M. Sykes.

Chapel Hill.—P. H. McDade, E. H. Wilson, Thomas H. Cheek and John H. Weaver.

Hillsboro'.—John Cheek, *Wm. H. Newman, *James E. Jones and A. P. Stroud.

Lystra.—E. J. Powell, Y. A. Oldham, Nash Cheek and Thomas J. Stroud.

Mt. Carmel.—Alvis Daniel, Thomas Lloyd, R. M. Daniel and James M. Cheek.

Mt. Pisgah.—J. M. Hilliard, James M. Baucom, *C. R. Scott and L. D. Baucom.

Mt. Moriah.—R. P. Strayhorn, H. Q. Strain, Willie T. Patterson.

Mt. Gilead.—J. J. Hackney, J. M. Griffin, *M. H. Haughton and William Hackney.

Mt. Hermon.—A. J. Carroll, Wm. Andrews and William Montgomery.

Olive's Chapel.—E. H. Holleman, *G. A. Holland and M. C. Olive.

Pleasant Grove.—*T. W. Womble, *M. T. Horton, L. P. Council and *S. Eubanks.

Rose of Sharon.—J. N. Cheek, S. Watts and R. J. Hall.

Trade's Hill.—Geo. P. Moore and Kelly Mitchell.

Those marked * did not attend.

Brethren Nash Cheek and John Cheek were appointed to superintend the election of a Moderator, who reported Elder John C. Wilson elected.

Petitionary letters were called for. The Church at Trade's Hill, (which Church was constituted on 7th of October, 1871,) was presented by her delegates, George P. Moore and Kelly Mitchell, asking membership in this Association, and was received into fellowship in this body.

The following ministers were enrolled as members of this Association, to-wit: Elders G. W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, Jas. P. Mason, Sam'l Baldwin and Jesse Howell.

Ministers present and corresponding messengers from sister Associations were invited to seats with us. Elder John Mitchell, Agent of Wake Forest College; Eld. J. B. Richardson, Pastor of the Greensboro' Church; Eld. J. P. Montague, of the Flat River Association; Elder A. D. Blackwood, Moderator of the Raleigh Association; E. H. Straughan, Clerk of the Sandy Creek Association; J. H. Mills, Editor of the Biblical Recorder, and H. P. Smith and Henry Barbee, of the Raleigh Association, accepted the invitation.

On motion, the pastor and deacons of this (the Antioch) Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Services during the sitting of the Association, except the appointments made at our last session.

On motion, E. H. Wilson, Nash Cheek and Thomas D. Oldham were appointed a Committee to arrange the business of this meeting.

On motion, eleven o'clock, to-morrow morning, be set as the hour for the meeting of the Sunday School Convention.

On motion, at half-past ten o'clock, on to-morrow morning, time be allowed Eld. J. B. Richardson to present the claims of the Greensboro' Church.

Committee of Arrangements reported the following order of business:

1. The Association shall convene at 9½ o'clock, A. M., taking recess from one till two o'clock, P. M.
2. Call roll of ministers and delegates.
3. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4. Read Constitution and Rules of Order.
5. Renew invitation to visiting brethren.
6. Call for resolutions and queries.
7. Appoint the following committees, viz: on Finance; on Church Letters; on Sabbath Schools; on Periodicals; on Prayer and Prayer Meetings; on Temperance; on State Missions; on Foreign Missions; on time and place of holding next Association.
8. Call on correspondents to report.
9. Appoint correspondents to sister Associations.
10. Call for reports.
11. Appoint delegates to the Baptist State Convention; also, recommend the appointment of trustees for this Association. Report adopted.

The following committees were appointed:

On Finance—Alvis Durham, J. N. Cheek, and John R. Ward.

On Sabbath Schools—E. J. Powell, W. T. Patterson, and Elder Jesse Howell.

On Periodicals—Eld. S. Baldwin, John Cheek and E. H. Straughan.

On Temperance—J. H. Mills, M. M. Brewer and David M. Sykes.

On State Missions—Eld. J. B. Richardson, R. M. Daniel and H. Q. Strain.

On Foreign Missions—Eld. A. D. Blackwood, J. M. Hilliard and J. J. Hackney.

On Education—Elder John Mitchell, L. P. Council and George Moore.

On Church Letters—H. M. C. Stroud, E. H. Wilson and A. B. Roberson.

On Prayer and Prayer Meetings—Elder J. P. Mason, Wm. Cheek and Exum H. Holleman.

On Time and Place of next Association—J. P. Mason, A. J. Carroll and J. N. Cheek.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock, to-morrow.
Prayer—Elder Richardson, leading.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9½ O'CLOCK,
September 21*st*, 1872.

Association convened, Elder J. C. Wilson reads Scripture, prayer—Elder J. P. Montague, leading.

The Clerk calls the roll, reads the proceedings of yesterday, and the Constitution and Rules of decorum.

On motion, Elder J. B. Richardson's speech deferred till two o'clock, P. M.

On motion, Eld. J. P. Mason, H. M. C. Stroud and J. R. Ward were appointed a Committee to redistrict the Association.

Bro. E. J. Powell reads the following Report on Sabbath Schools:

Your Committee on Sunday Schools respectfully submit the following:

We are pleased to report Sunday Schools in most of the churches within the bounds of this Association; and, at the same time, are pained to announce to you that we are of the opinion, that there is not that zeal manifested that should be, by those who have taken on themselves the name of Christ. The more we consider the Sunday School enterprise, the more we are convinced that it has the word of God for its foundation and great good for its result.

We also deeply regret that so many of our Church members are so slow to use an agency so powerful for good. This is a work in which every Christian, whether old or young, should be engaged, in either giving or receiving instruction. We are at a loss to know how any one claiming to be a follower of the meek and lowly Jesus, who went about doing good, can spend the time out side of the Sabbath school; it is a mystery which we cannot solve, neither can we reconcile it with the teachings of the Bible. We heartily desire that each member of each Church, constituting this Association, may reflect, seriously, of the duties they owe to their Master and their neighbors, and then ask God, what is my duty in regard to this great work. We also urge upon all the churches a more united effort than has heretofore been, so that the strong holds of the wicked one may give way and the Redeemer's Kingdom be established. E. J. POWELL, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above report was laid on the table, and time allowed for the meeting of the Sabbath School Convention be twelve instead of eleven o'clock, to-day.

Your committee on redistricting the Association submit the following:

1. *Section.*	2. *Section.*	3. *Section.*	4. *Section.*
Antioch,	Chapel Hill,	Rose of Sharon,	Mt. Gilead,
Bethel,	Mt. Moriah,	Bereah,	Olive's Chap'l
Cane Creek,	Mt. Hermon,	Lystra,	Pleas't Grove
Hillsboro'.	Mt. Carmel.	Mt. Pisgah.	Trade's Hill.

JAMES P. MASON, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions would urge upon the churches of this Association to study the spirit of our Master's great command, and to put forth their greatest efforts to meet the responsibilities, which it imposes upon his people.

In giving His Gospel to the world, God requires the money as well as the individual labors of his people. "Ye are not your own" is the claim of Christianity. The primitive Christians recognized it and acted accordingly. Hence within thirty years after the Lord's Ascension, they had carried the Gospel to all the centres of influence in the then known civilized world, having reared the Gospel banner in the midst of the learned Athenians, and planted it even by the palaces of the proud Cæsars.

Brethren, we claim to be their descendants, should we not emulate their example? We are rejoiced to know our denomination is working in this direction. We ought to do more. We recommend this Association to appoint and sustain a missionary in its own bounds.

J. B. RICHARDSON, *Chairman.*

Remarks are made by J. H. Mills, Eld. John Mitchell, Deacon McDade and Eld. G. W. Purefoy, and on motion, the report laid on table.

Correspondents appointed last year to sister Associations called on to report. All make excuses, none having attended.

The following correspondents appointed to sister Associations:

To Beulah—Elders J. P. Mason, John Cheek, David M. Sykes and J. C. Wilson.

To Sandy Creek—Geo. P. Moore, J. M. Griffin and Elder Samuel Baldwin.

To Raleigh—Elders J. C. Wilson, J. Howell and M. H. Haughton, J. R. Ward and J. Baucom.

To Central—Elders J. P. Mason and J. C. Wilson, Bros. W. T. Patterson and J. N. Cheek.

To Flat River—Elders M. S. Ferrell and J. P. Mason, and Bro. W. T. Patterson.

Adjourned.

The Sunday School Convention now assembles, Brother E. J. Powell takes the Chair, W. T. Patterson, Secretary.

President calls on Pastors, &c., for reports from their Sunday schools. Elder Wilson and others respond. President Powell reads a report.

The Convention adjourned.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS AS FOLLOWS:

Antioch—Has a good Sabbath School, A P. Stroud, Sup't.

Number of Teachers, - -	9
" " Scholars, about -	50

School continues through the year.

Bereah—No Report.

Bethel—Report a Sabbath School through the summer about six months in the year; statistics not given.

Cane Creek—Organized fourth Sabbath in April, 1871. Anderson P. Cates, Superintendent.

Number officers and teachers, -	7
" scholars, - -	80
Average attendance, - -	40
Number of months held in year,	6
Church members in school, -	30
Scholars that attend Church, -	80
Volumes in Library, - -	—
Copies *Kind Words* taken, -	17

Books used in singing, Happy Voices.

WIATT CATES, *V. P.*

Chapel Hill—Sabbath School organized, March, 1855.

Officers and teachers now in school,	16
Average attendance about - -	13
Scholars enrolled, - - - -	85
Average attendance about - -	55
Months held in the year, - -	12
Church members in school, - -	21
" " not in school, -	50

Number scholars that attend Church not kept, - - - - - - —
Volumes in Library, say, - - 300
Copies of S. S. papers taken, - - 32
Money expended for school, - $33 70
" raised in school, - 58 70
Cash now in hand, Treasurer, 25 00

P. H. McDADE, *V. P.*

Hillsboro—Baptist Sabbath School organized, April, 1854.
James E. Jones, Superintendent.
Number of teachers, - - 6
" " scholars, - - 34
Meets regular each Sabbath during the year.
Copies S. S. Papers taken, - 42
Number volumes in Library, - 200
Books used in singing, Golden Showers.

Lystra—Baptist Sabbath School organized, April 15th, 1872, E. J. Powell, Superintendent.
Officers and teachers, - - 6
Average attendance, - - 5
Scholars enrolled, - - - 76
Average attendance, - - 65
Months held during year, - 6
Church members in school, - 26
" " not in school, - 78
Number of school that attend Church, 65
Money expended for school, - $32 75

W. E. OLDHAM, *Sup't.*

Mt. Carmel—No Report.

Mt. Pisgah—Baptist Sabbath School, Jas. M. Baucom, Superintendent.
Number of teachers, - - 7
" " scholars, - - 68
Copies *Kind Words* taken, - 21
Volumes in Library, - - 200
Books used in singing, Bright Jewels.

Mt. Moriah—No Report.

Mt. Gilead—Baptist Sabbath School, A. S. Garner, Sup't.

Number officers and teachers, -	6
" scholars enrolled, -	65
Average attendance, - -	45
Volumes in Library, - -	125
Books used in singing, Happy Voices.	
Moneys collected in school, -	$5 63
" used for school, - -	5 63

W. B. WORTHAM, *Sec'y.*

Mt. Hermon—Baptist Sabbath School organized, April 1st, 1872, S W. Proctor, Superintendent.

Number of teachers, - -	10
" " scholars, - -	50
Average attendance about -	30
Months held during year, -	6
Church members in school, -	25
Scholars that attend Church, -	50
Money expended for school, -	$2 25

Olive's Chapel—Sabbath School organized, April, 1870.

Number of teachers, - -	10
" " scholars, - -	70
Average attendance, - -	45
Converts, - - -	3
Verses recited by memory, -	1,000
Volumes in Library, - -	200
Copies S. S. papers taken, -	14
Books used in singing, Bright Jewels.	

D. T. JOHNSON, *Sup't.*

Pleasant Grove—Report a Sabbath School. No statistics given.

Trade's Hill—No Report.

Rose of Sharon—Baptist Sabbath School organized, April, 1870, James N. Cheek, Superintendent.

Officers and teachers, - -	14
Average attendance, - -	8

Scholars enrolled,	- -	62
Average attendance about	-	40
Months held during year about	-	6
Volumes in Library,	- -	95
Copies *Kind Words* taken,	-	20
Moneys expended for school,	-	$11 60

J. W. CHEEK, *Sec'y.*

SATURDAY EVENING, 2 O'CLOCK.

The Association assembles in Church. Eld. J. B. Richardson presented the claims of the Greensboro' Church for which collection was taken, amounting to $17 in cash and some pledges.

Committee on Time and Place report next meeting of this Association to be held with the Rose of Sharon Church, Orange County, N. C., to meet on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in September, 1873.

Report adopted.

Committee on Foreign Missions report. Remarks by Elder A. D. Blackwood, and the report adopted.

Committee on Temperance present their report. Remarks by Bro. J. H. Mills and Elder A. D. Blackwood, and report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee, in this hasty report, can do but little more than bring before you the important Subject of Education for your consideration, with the hope that something may be said and done to awaken such an interest in the subject as will lead you to provide the best possible schools for your children ; and then educate them to the extent of your ability.

We are satisfied that this subject has not received that attention, which its paramount importance demands ; that there is no legacy which parents can leave their children

comparable to a good Christian education; and that they can make no better use of a part of their money than to put it, where it will be the means of disseminating sanctified learning.

This Association has done well in agreeing to support one beneficiary at Wake Forest College, and we are happy to be able to report that your beneficiary, Bro. J. H. Vernon is doing well, and is worthy of the generous aid that you are giving him; and also, that the prospects of the College are encouraging. The number of students last session, was about ninety, and it is hoped there will be an increase this session. There are some fifteen young brethren there who have the ministry in view, about ten of whom are beneficiaries. We commend Wake Forest College to your prayers and patronage. Let us rally to its support. J. H. MITCHELL, *Chairman.*

On motion, the above report laid on table till Monday.

On motion, adjourn to 9½ o'clock, Monday. Prayer—Elder John Mitchell, leading.

SUNDAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

A Sunday School Mass Meeting held; singing very good. Meeting addressed by Elders Wilson and Mitchell.

The congregation repair to the stand in the grove. Eld. Mitchell preached from Matthew 13th chap., 45 and 46 verses. Subject: Jesus Christ, the pearl of great price. Collection taken for Missions, $18 20. Intermission.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The people re-assemble. Eld. A. D. Blackwood preached from John iii: 3. "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." Prayer—Elder Montague, leading.

MONDAY, *September* 23*d*, 1872, 9½ o'CLOCK.

The Association met, Moderator reads Psalm xxvii. Prayer—Elder Mitchell, leading.

Invitation renewed to visiting brethren.

On motion, the Report on Education, which was tabled on Saturday, called up and re-read. Elder Mitchell, in a very interesting speech, presented the claims of Wake Forest College upon the denomination for support. Elder George W. Purefoy gives stock valued at five hundred dollars. Subscription amounts to fourteen hundred dollars. Report adopted.

On motion, Elder J. P. Mason, Elder Geo. W. Purefoy and Thos. D. Oldham were appointed a committee to report a Board of Trustees for this Association.

Reported as Trustees.: Eld. M. S. Ferrell, E. H. Wilson, John Cheek, Taylor Johnson and Nash Cheek. Report adopted.

Committee on Prayer and Prayer Meetings, it is discussed by Nash Cheek and Elder Geo. W. Purefoy, and adopted, as follows:

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of prayer and prayer-meetings submit the following:

First. It is the duty of all men, everywhere, to pray. The Apostle says: I will, therefore, that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands." *Second.* Prayer-meetings are absolutely necessary for the spiritual well being of any Church or community of Christians. Our experience teaches us, that the churches which do not maintain regular prayer-meetings are slow in duty, while those churches that do maintain regular stated prayer-meetings, are ready to every good word and work. Love to the brethren is strengthened in the prayer-meetings—anxiety for souls is more keenly felt by those who regularly attend prayer-meetings.

The prayer-meeting, if it does not engender, it certainly does greatly enhance the missionary spirit; hence we see those churches where prayer-meetings are regularly held, doing much more for the cause of missions, therefore

Resolved, That we, the ministers and delegates composing this Association return to our respective churches, determined to use our best efforts to organize and maintain regular prayer-meetings in all our churches.

J. P. MASON, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Report on State Missions tabled on Saturday called up, and discussed by Elders J. P. Mason and Purefoy.

Report adopted.

Elder G. W. Purefoy, Chairman of Executive Board to whom the subject of State Missions in the bounds of this Association was referred, a year ago, reported, they appointed a meeting, failed to get a quorum, and then the matter dropped. He suggested the appointment of one member of each Church in this Association as an Executive Board to whom the subject of missions within the bounds of this Association shall be referred. Report adopted, and the following brethren were appointed:

Antioch—Alvis Durham.
Bereah—Charles Mason.
Cane Creek—T. D. Oldham.
Hillsboro—John Cheek.
Mt. Carmel—J. M. Cheek.
Mt. Moriah—A. Madry.
Mt. Hermon—D. Strayhorn.
Pleas. Grove—M. T. Horton.
Trade's Hill—G. P. Moore.
Bethel—Merit Cheek.
Chapel Hill—E. H. Wilson.
Lystra—Y. A. Oldham.
Mt. Pisgah—C. N. Scott.
Mt. Gilead—J. M. Griffin.
Olive's Chap'l-D.T.Johnson
Rose of Sharon—
J. N. Cheek.

Committee on Periodicals reported, after remarks by Eld. Purefoy and J. H. Mills. Elder Wilson suggests the Clerk's report in their next letters, how many copies of *Biblical Recorder* taken, adopted.

The following ministers and brethren were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention to meet in Fayetteville on the —— of November, 1872, to-wit: Elders John C. Wilson, James P. Mason, M. S. Ferrell, G. W.

Purefoy, R. A. Patterson, Brethren A. Durham, Wm. G. Eubanks, John R. Ward, Manly M. Brewer, Wm. Cheek, W. G. Quakenbush, David M. Sykes, John Cheek, John M. Blackwood, A. J. Carroll, H. Guess, J. N. Cheek, J. W. Carlton, R. J. Hall, W. C. Mason, Jas. Baucom, Jas. Hilliard, J. S. Wilson, L. B. Council, G. P. Moore, M. Horton, W. C. Cole, Edward Riggsbee, R. M. David, E. H. Wilson, W. F. Patterson and Dr. A. B. Roberson.

On motion, the Clerk directed to have the Constitution and Rules of Order printed in the Minutes.

Elder James P. Mason appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, at the next meeting, of this Association.

Elder John C. Wilson to preach a Missionary Sermon at the next meeting.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following:

Received from the churches for	Education,	$121 65
" " " "	State Missions,	13 95
" " " "	Foreign Missions,	31 15
" " " "	Chapel at Rome,	153 15
" " " "	Association Fund,	32 00
	Total,	$351 90

Paid to Treasurer, $351 90.

A. DURHAM, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

GEO. W. PUREFOY, *Treasurer of Executive Board,*
In account with Association:

To cash received of Treasurer, September, 1871,	$101 85
To cash advance to pay balance, Bro. Vernon's expense, - - - - -	20 00
	$121 85

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By amount sent Elder J. S. Purefoy and paid out, - - -	$101 85	
By part amount advance I give, -	5 00	
By amount yet due me, - -	15 00	
		$121 85

G. W. PUREFOY,
Treasurer Executive Board.

Report adopted.

On motion, the Treasurer of Association ordered to pay out of the education fund, fifteen dollars to Elder G. W. Purefoy, balance of money advanced by him to pay balance of Bro. Vernon's expenses at Wake Forest College to 1st April, 1872.

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee on Church Letters submit that we have examined the letters from the churches: Cane Creek, Lystra, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Moriah, Mt. Hermon, Olive's Chapel, Rose of Sharon, have been blessed with revivals, and have added to their membership by baptism a goodly number; while most of the other churches seem to stand still, or are loosing ground, our total membership being only thirty-two, more than reported last year, and yet a Church is added this year with twenty-six members.

As to benevolence Mt. Pisgah has set an example worthy to be followed by all. Bereah, Mt. Hermon and Pleasant Grove have failed to send their amount, ten dollars each to the education fund. We recommend to the churches the necessity of paying a sufficient amount to the Association funds to supply a few copies of our minutes to sister Associations with whom we correspond, as the amount sent up, is not sufficient to supply home demand. It is desirable that the clerks of the churches keep and report a correct account of their membership. By reference, to the statistical tables, it will be seen that the reports from some do not agree, the total membership reported this year is seventeen hundred and sixty-four, compared with last year should be seventeen hundred and eighty-five.

The following table shows the amount of cash contributions sent to the Association:

BY CHURCHES.	EDUCATION.	STATE MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	CHAPEL AT ROME.	TO ASSOCIATION FUND.
Antioch,	$ 10 40	.....	.....	$ 21 65	$ 2 50
Bereah,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Bethel,	10 00	.....	.....	6 65	1 50
Cane Creek,	10 00	.....	.....	6 65	3 00
Chapel Hill,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Hillsboro',	11 25	6 85	6 75	.....	1 50
Lystra,	10 00	.....	.....	6 00	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Mt. Pisgah,	10 00	.....	.....	101 40	3 00
Mt. Moriah,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mt. Gilead,	10 00	.....	24 00	.....	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Olive's Chapel,	10 00	.....	.....	8 80	2 50
Pleasant Grove,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Rose of Sharon,	10 00	7 10	.....	.....	3 00
Trade's Hill,	.....	.....	.....	2 00	1 00
	$121 65	$13 95	$31 15	$153 15	$32 00

H. M. C. STROUD, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

On motion, the Clerk directed to retain as his fee ten dollars, and have minutes printed and supply the churches in proportion to what money each one sent to the minute fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Treas'r, in account with Association:*

1872.

Sept.	To cash received for Education,		$121 65
"	" " " State Missions,		13 95
"	" " " Foreign Missions,		31 15
"	" " " Chapel at Rome,		153 15
"	" collection on Sabbath for Missions,		18 20
"	" received as Association fund,		32 00
			$370 10

CONTRA.

By cash paid Elder G. W. Purefoy, as order, - - - - $15 00

By cash paid Treasurer, Education fund,	106	65	
" " J. G. Williams, State Miss.,	23	95	
" " " " Foreign "	39	35	
" " " " Chapel at Rome,	153	15	
" " " " printing Minutes,	20	00	
" " " " Postage and stationery,	2	00	
" " " " Clerk's sal'y,	10	00	
			$370 10

H. M. C. STROUD, *Treasurer.*

On motion, to adjourn to time and place appointed for next meeting.

Moderator makes a parting address. Prayer—Elder Wilson, leading. Doxology and Benediction.

JOHN C. WILSON, *Moderator.*

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	NAMES. PASTORS.	PASTOR'S POST-OFFICES.	NAMES. CLERKS OF CHURCHES.	CLERK'S POST-OFFICES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Contribution for Education.	Contribution for Missions.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	Alvin Durham,	White Cross,	1	...	...	7	3	...	125	$ 10 40	$ 21 55	$ 2 50
Bereah,	J. P. Montague,	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	50	...	...	1 00
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	S. C. Durham,	White Cross,	...	...	...	1	1	1	77	10 00	6 65	1 50
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes,	Oaks,	17	..	..	4	4	5	226	10 00	6 65	3 00
Chapel Hill,	W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	P. H. McDade,	Chapel Hill,	...	...	...	3	...	1	68	10 00	...	2 00
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	6	1	...	4	3	...	103	10 00	6 00	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	...	...	J. S. Tilly,	Chapel Hill,	...	...	...	...	...	...	47	10 00	...	1 50
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beavers,	Green Level,	14	4	2	3	1	3	242	10 00	101 40	3 00
Mt. Moriah,	F. M. Jordan,	Hillsboro',	W. T. Patterson,	Chapel Hill,	10	1	...	...	...	...	83	10 00	...	2 00
Mt. Gilead,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Hackney,	Grove,	1	...	...	4	1	2	89	10 00	24 40	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	...	...	T. J. Whitaker,	Hillsboro',	6	...	...	1	...	...	150	...	...	2 00
Olive's Chapel,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. C. Ragan,	...	4	4	...	1	2	...	218	10 00	8 80	2 50
Pl'asant Grove,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	M. T. Horton,	Grove,	3	...	...	6	1	...	48	...	...	1 50
Rose of Sharon,	F. M. Jordan,	Hillsboro',	J. W. Cheek,	Durham's,	3	1	...	1	2	1	152	10 00	7 10	3 00
Trade's Hill,	J. M. Hollomon,	New Hill,	R. D. Hackney,	Pittsboro',	...	6	...	...	...	1	26	...	2 00	1 00
Hillsboro',	F. H. Jones,	...	Jas. E. Jones,	Hillsboro',	...	...	...	5	...	1	55	11 25	13 60	1 50
					65	17	2	43	18	16	1759	$121 65	$198 25	$32 00

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually, and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who, by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each Church shall not exceed four.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and deceased, during the preceding year, also the total number in fellowship, and the amount of funds sent up to the Association, and for what objects sent, together with Sunday school statistics.

ART. 5. The members thus chosen and convened, shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts this Association, shall recognize Christ as the only Law Giver in Zion, and that every individual Church is an independent body, with executive, but no legislative power.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association, when requested, by aggrieved churches to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a Church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application they shall be

entitled to the same consideration. Individual applications will not be entertained.

Art. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any Church, that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptist, as the true teachings thereof.

Art. 9. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, the former to be elected annually by ballot, the latter to be also elected by ballot, but to hold his office during the pleasure of the Association.

Art. 10. The Clerk shall act as Treasurer and disburse the funds as directed by the Association. He shall also annually transcribe the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose.

Art. 11. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received, and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given, that they are truly of our faith and order.

Art. 12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made, at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members, present concerning.

RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer by the Moderator, or by some brother at his request.

ART. 2. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over each day, and the proceedings of the previous day read over before proceeding to other business.

ART. 3. All questions before the Association shall be decided by the living voice, except a division is called for, then by rising.

ART. 4. No member shall speak more than twice, on any subject, without permission from the Moderator.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of members to obtain permission, before leaving the Association.

ART. 6. While a brother is speaking, it shall be deemed a breach of order, for any member to pass between the speaker and Moderator, or to engage in conversation, or in any way to interfere with the speaker.

ART. 7. Every member must arise and address the Moderator and confine himself strictly to the subject before the body, use appropriate language, address no member by any other appellation, except that of brother, and cast no reflection on any member.

ART. 8. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, by calling some member temporarily to the chair, and, when requisite give the casting vote.

ART. 9. Written queries, from the churches, or from members, and resolutions, must be twice read; and signed by the mover before they are received for discussion.

ART. 10. No motion without a second, shall be received.

The mover may withdraw his motion, if it is done before it is voted upon.

ART. 11. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

ART. 12. When a motion has been carried, it shall be in order, for any member who voted with the majority, to move for the reconsideration on the same day.

ART. 13. All committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

ART. 14. The Clerk shall make out a list of the members, appointed upon each committee, stating the subject to be reported upon, and hand it to the chairman, as early as practicable.

ART. 15. Should any member violate any of the preceding rules of order, it shall be the duty of the Moderator to call him to order. If he fail to do so, any member of the body shall have the same privilege.

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H. M. C. Stroud, Clerk, Saxapahaw, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	N. C.
John C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	"
James P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	"
Matthew S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	"
Samuel Baldwin,	Snipes' Store,	"
W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	"
Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	"
T. Boling,	" "	"
R. A. Patterson,	Oaks,	"

LICENTIATES.

J. H. Vernon,	Forestville,	N. C.
J. M. Hilliard,	Green Level,	"
G. P. Moore,	Pittsboro',	"

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Elder G. W. Purefoy, Treasuer Educational Fund.
E. H. Wilson, Treasurer Executive Board.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Alvis Durham,	of the	Antioch	Church.
Charles Mason,	"	Berea	"
Merrit Cheek,	"	Bethel	"
Thos. D. Oldham,	"	Cane Creek,	"
E. H. Wilson,	"	Chapel Hill	"
John Cheek,	"	Hillsboro'	"
Y. A. Oldham,	"	Lystra	"
J. M. Cheek,	"	Mt. Carmel	"
C. N. Scott,	"	Mt. Pisgah	"
A. Madry,	"	Mt. Moriah	"
J. M. Griffin,	"	Mt. Gilead	"
D. Strayhorn,	"	Mt. Hermon	"
D. T. Johnson,	"	Olive's Chapel	"
M. T. Horton,	"	Pleasant Grove	"
J. N. Cheek,	"	Rose of Sharon	"
G. P. Moore,	"	Trade's Hill	"

PROCEEDINGS.

THURSDAY, September 25th, 1873.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association assembled with the Rose of Sharon Baptist Church in Durham, N. C. Elder J. P. Mason preached the introductory sermon from 8th chapter of Acts, 4th verse. The subject was: Ministerial Faithfulness.

A recess of half an hour given for refreshment, after which the Association met, and was called to order by former Moderator.

Religious exercises, reading scripture and singing, by Elder J. C. Wilson. Prayer, Elder Johnson Olive leading.

The Churches were then called and their delegates enrolled, as follows:

Antioch—Alvis Durham, John R Ward, Jas. S. Durham.
Berea—W. C. Mason, George E. Pope, Erasmus Pope, Walter A. Barbee.
Bethel—Merit Cheek, John Q. Lloyd, C. W. Lloyd.
Cane Creek—William Cheek, Thos. D. Oldham, J. F. Minor, D. M. Sykes.
Chapel Hill—P. M. McDade, W. G. Weaver, Thos. F. Cheek.
Hillsboro'—John Cheek, W. H. Newman.
Lystra—Y. A. Oldham, G. O. Cole, E. C. Riggsbee, Josiah S. Riggsbee.
Mt. Carmel—R. M. Daniel, Jas. M. Cheek, Thos. H. Lloyd, Hudson Spurrow.
Mt. Pisgah—C. R. Scott, J. M. Hilliard, J. W. Beevers, H. D. Mason.
Mt. Moriah—A. B. Couch, R. P. Strayhorn, W. T. Patterson.
Mt. Gilead—J. M. Griffin, J. H. Vernon, T. J. Stroud, J. W. Hackney.
Mt. Hermon—J. McCauley, John Chrislian, Henry Picket.
Olive's Chapel—S. G. Wilson, G. A. Holland.
Pleasant Grove—No delegate.
Rose of Sharon—J. W. Dowd, John N. Cheek, R. J Hall, J. W. Carlton.
Trades Hill—George P. Moore.

Ministers present as members of Association: John C. Wilson, James P. Mason, Matthew T. Ferrell, W. T. Farrow, Richard A. Patterson, George W. Purefoy and Jesse Howell.

Corresponding delegates from sister Associations invited to take seats with us.

Elder F. M. Jordan, from Beulah Association; Elders Johnson Olive, S. Ivey, from Raleigh Association; Elder J. P. Montague and Bros. D. A. Harris and J. W. Dalby from Flat River Association.

Correspondents to sister Associations called on to report.

To Beulah—Did not attend.

To Sandy Creek—G. P. Moore attended and reports a

harmonious session of that old body, that was kindly received, &c.

To Raleigh—Brother John R. Ward attended and was kindly received, &c.

To Central—Did not attend.

To Flat River—Did not attend.

Elders W. T. Farrow, F. M. Jordan, and Bro. P. H. McDade, were appointed to report arrangements for the meeting.

The Pastor, Deacons and Clerk of this Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock A. M. to-morrow. Prayer, Elder S. Ivey leading.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ o'clock.

Association met. Religious exercise by Dr. Brooks.

Invitations again extended to corresponding delegates.

Elder J. C. Marcom, of the Raleigh Association; Elder F. H. Ivey, agent for Endowment of Wake Forest College, and Dr. Brooks, of the Central, accepted seats with us.

Committee of arrangements reported the following order of business:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9½ o'clock A. M., take recess from 1 to 2 o'clock P. M.
2nd. Call roll of delegates.
3rd. Read, and correct if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Friday morning.
5th. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6th. Call for resolutions and queries.
7th. Appoint the following Committees:
- On Finance.
- On Education.
- On Church Letters.
- On Periodicals.
- On Sunday Schools.
- On Prayer Meetings.
- On Temperance.
- On State Missions.
- On Foreign Missions.
- On Time and Place and stated service of next meeting of the Association.

8th. Call for reports of Correspondents.
9th. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.
10th. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
11th. Call for reports.
12th. Appoint a Committee to report proper statistics of a church letter.
13th. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

The Constitution and rules of order read.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Finance—Alvis Durham, John Cheek and John Q. Lloyd.
On Education—F. H. Ivey, G. Holland, and Dr. Wm. T. Brooks.

On Church Letters—H. M. C. Stroud, J. H. Vernon and W. T. Patterson.
On Periodicals—S. Ivey, G. P. Moore and J. McCauley.
On Sunday Schools—R. A. Patterson, J. W. Beavers and J. P. Montague.
On Prayer Meetings—W. T. Farrow, R. M. Daniel and J. W. Hackney.
On Temperance—Johnson Olive, James Durham and H. D. Mason.
On State Missions—F. M. Jordan, T. D. Oldham and W. C. Mason.
On Foreign Missions—T. H. Pritchard, D. M. Sykes and John N. Cheek.
On Time and Place of Next Meeting—J. T. Mason, Y. A. Oldham and C. R. Scott.
On Proper Statistics for Church Letters—W. T. Farrow, P. H. McDade and J. P. Mason.

Appointed Correspondents to sister Associations:

To Beulah—J. H. Vernon, John Cheek and J. C. Wilson.
To Sandy Creek—J. W. Dowd, R. A. Patterson and G. P. Moore.
To Raleigh—W. T. Farrow, G. A. Holland and M. S. Ferrell.
To Central—J. W. Cheek, W. T. Farrow, M. S. Ferrell and J. C. Wilson.
To Flat River—J. N. Cheek, J. P. Mason and R. A. Patterson.

Committee on Time and Place and Stated Service of next Meeting of the Association, reported.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE, &C

Your Committee beg leave to report, Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in September, 1874, as the time, and Lyston Church, in Chatham county, six miles south of Chapel Hill, as the place. Elder M. S. Ferrell to preach the introductory sermon, and W. F. Farrow a sermon on Missions.

J. P. MASON, Chm'n.

Committee on Proper Statistics for Church Letters reported and report adopted:

That the Churches in their letters observe the fourth article of the Constitution and no more.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported. Remarks by Dr. Pritchard and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recognize it as our duty as christians to send the gospel to the heathen, for the following reasons:

First. Because the gospel is a great civilizer, and it will improve the physical, mental and moral condition of the heathen.

Second. Because of the great success which has attended the missionary enterprise in every part of the world.

Third. Because the cultivation of a missionary spirit is essential to the prosperity and development of the spirituality of our churches.

Fourth. Because the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is as binding upon the Baptist churches of this day as it was upon them to whom it was originally given.

T. H. PRITCHARD, Chm'n.

The following resolution was presented by Elder W. T. Farrow, and ordered to be printed with the minutes:

Resolved, That the respective pastors laboring within this Association be and are requested to preach a sermon before each of his charges at a proper time, and urge upon the members to improve themselves upon the subject of Foreign Missions, and to aid the blessed cause.

W. T. FARROW.

Committee on Periodicals reported. Remarks by F. H. Ivey, Dr. T. H. Pritchard and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals take great pleasure in recommending the *Biblical Recorder* as an able Baptist paper, deserving a much larger patronage than it now has, and therefore urge and insist that this paper should go into every family in the bounds of this Association. We also recommend the *Home and Foreign Journal* and *Kind Words*.

S. IVEY, Chm'n.

Committee on Prayer Meetings reported. Remarks by Elder W. T. Farrow and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PRAYER MEETINGS.

Your Committee beg leave to report, the prayer meeting is absolutely necessary to the spiritual growth of the church, and exerts a salutary influence upon the community; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1st. That the churches ought to be alive to this great means of grace.

2. That a church without a prayer meeting is living in neglect of duty.

W. T. FARROW, Chm'n.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported. Remarks by Elders R. A. Patterson, F. H. Ivey, T. H. Pritchard. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee are prepared to report that fourteen churches out of sixteen has Sabbath Schools, and one church has two schools. We regard Sunday Schools a great means in helping parents to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. We would recommend that both children and adults meet in their respective churches on each Lord's day for the purpose of studying the word of God, as an all-sufficient guide, and only rule of faith and practice.

R. A. PATTERSON, Chm'n.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Temperance, report the following: We believe that temperance is one of those christian graces taught in the Bible by those inspired men of God, who spake and wrote as they were impressed and moved upon by the Holy Ghost. As such we recommend the churches to encourage temperance in the church, in the family, and in the world, at home and abroad.

JOHNSON OLIVE, Chm'n.

Remarks by F. M. Jordan and W. T. Farrow, and report adopted.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Dr. T. H. Pritchard.

SATURDAY, 9½ o'clock A. M.

Association met. Religious services by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

Corresponding messengers invited to seats with us. Elder A. D. Blackwood and Elder W. B. Harrell, of the Raleigh Association, accepted the invitation.

On motion, a resolution was offered asking the appointment of committees at this meeting, to report at the next, on the following subjects, to-wit:

1st. On the State of Religion.

2nd. On the Sunday School cause within our bounds.

3rd. On the subject of Temperance.

After remarks by sundry brethren, the resolution was voted down.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to believe that this subject is receiving more than usual attention. Our people seem to be aroused to the importance of providing better educational advantage, and we hope the time is not distant when it may be said, that Baptists all educate their children. The educated class is the controlling class in society; and with the blessing of good education widely diffused through our denomination, we should have greatly increased power to accomplish our high mission among the people. The increase of culture among the masses; their growing intelligence; the advance of the arts and sciences; the multiplication of all the means that elevate society; all demand that those who lead the people in spiritual things shall have thorough training for their work. An educated ministry becomes more and more a necessity, in an age like this. The evidences of the truth are active and powerful, and we must have strong men to meet them. The demand upon us is pressing, and to meet this demand our College is doing what it can. It has done a noble work in the past, and proposes enlarged efforts for the future. There were twelve or fourteen beneficiaries during the past year, who made commendable progress in their studies. This number should be largely increased, and it is hoped that the means may be contributed to aid a great many more. Relying on the liberality of the churches, the Board of Education feel encouraged to continue the young brethren now under their patronage, and to receive other proper applicants. There are several young brethren at the College besides the beneficiaries, studying with a view to the ministry. In this work we look with strong hope to the endowment scheme for the most beneficial results.

Your Committee recommend:

1st. More attention to general education.

2nd. Encouragement and aid to our young brethren studying for the ministry.

3rd. Liberal contributions to the endowment fund, that our College may be fairly and permanently established.

4th. Earnest, believing prayer, with our alms, that God may bless our work.

F. H. IVEY, Chm'n.

Elder F. H. Ivey addressed the body at length on the necessity of an educated ministry, and the necessity of endowments for Colleges, and on the benefits of endowed Colleges, after which the report was adopted.

Committee on Finance reported that they had received from the churches,

For Education,	$133 25	
For State Missions,	24 50	
For Foreign Missions,	9 45	
For Association Fund,	36 10	
		$203 30
Paid to Treasurer,	$203 30	

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions report the following:

LABORS AND WORK DONE.

Elder W. T. Walters is laboring at Weldon and Littleton. New houses of worship are in process of construction at these places.

Elder J. R. Howell is laboring at Hickory Station on the W. N. C. R. R.; a neat and substantial house will soon be completed there.

Elder F. M. Jordan is preaching at Winston, the present terminus of the Greensboro' and Salem Railroad. Steps are now being taken to build a house of worship at that point.

Elders Wilkie, Moody and Lewellin are laboring in the Catawba and Yadkin Associations, and contiguous points. A new house of worship has recently been dedicated at Kidd's Store, in Lincoln county. Two brethren are laboring in the Eastern Association.

Elders Brown and Fontaine have devoted a portion of their time to mission work in the Beulah Association. A substantial house of worship of good capacity has been erected at Jimmerson's, in Rockingham county, under the labors of Brother Brown.

Elder G. M. Webb is doing mission work in the King's Mountain Association.

There are some eighteen brethren laboring in the Cape Fear Association. In these different fields, and through the arduous labours of these pious men of God, a large number of immortal souls have professed faith in Christ, and have been added to the church.

There are at least fifty towns and villages in North Carolina where there is no Baptist Church, or else a very feeble church not able to support itself. Many towns on the different Railroads are now growing rapidly, and now is the time to occupy them. Fifty men could be wisely employed to-day if we had the means to support them, but the board is now in debt to those already employed, and money comes into the Treasury slowly. Let us awake to the responsibility resting upon us as Baptists.

F. M. JORDAN, Chm'n.

Collection for Sunday School Missions $62.00; for Foreign Missions $10.00; total $72.00; paid to Dr. Pritchard.

Brethren J. P. Mason, M. S. Ferrell and J. Hilliard were appointed to recommend delegates to the next meeting of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, who reported through Bro. J. P. Mason the following: Y. A. Oldham, Richard A. Patterson, W. T. Farrow, John Cheek, W. T. Patterson, R. M. Daniel, C. W. Lloyd, Jasper Utley, J. W. Cheek, G. A. Holland, D. M. Sykes, Wm. Cheek, A. Hunter, J. W. Hackney, J. M. Blackwood, Alvis Durham and J. C. Wilson.

Report adopted.

On motion, called off for one hour.

SATURDAY, 2 o'clock P. M.

Association called to order and business resumed.

Committee on Church Letters reported the following, which was adopted:

That there is some progress among the churches, but after deducting those dismissed by letter, excluded and those who have died, there is an increase of twenty. Some of the churches have been exercising the discipline committed to them by their great Teacher. What is a family without a healthy discipline? It is sure to come to disgrace. So will a church, that lives at peace among themselves, where there is a neglect on her part of a vigilant watch over all the members.

For the contributions to the different objects see the following table:

CHURCHES.	Education	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Association.
Antioch,	$ 10 25			$ 2 25
Berea,				1 00
Bethel,	10 00			2 00
Cane Creek,	10 00	$ 3 30		3 00
Chapel Hill,	20 00			2 00
Hillsboro',	10 00	7 50	9 45	1 25
Lystra,	10 00			3 00
Mt. Carmel,	10 00			2 00
Mt. Moriah,	10 00			3 00
Mt. Pisgah,	20 00			4 00
Mt. Gilead,				1 50
Mt. Hermon,	3 00			3 00
Olive's Chapel,	10 00			3 00
Rose of Sharon,	10 00	13 70		3 60
Trades Hill,				1 50
	$133 25	$ 24 50	$ 9 45	$ 36 10

J. H. VERNON.

REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

To the Members of the Executive Board of the Mt. Zion Association:

Dear Brethren: At your request I have spent a portion of my vacation as missionary in Alamance county. The points specified were Company Shops and Saxapahaw or Moore's School House. I visited Company Shops first, on fourth Sabbath in May last, and have made in all four visits at this point. There is much need of faithful preaching at this place. No denomination has heretofore had any marked success there, which argues strongly against Union meeting-houses. There are but few Baptists in and around this village, yet I feel that if the gospel, as preached by the Baptists, was faithfully proclaimed, it would, as it has in every place, be heartily received. One gentleman living near the place would give a site for a house of worship if there should be any interest manifested to build a house for the Lord.

I visited Saxapahaw first on Tuesday after first Sabbath in September, inst. I remained in the neighborhood one week, preaching every night, and, though the people were in the midst of their fodder, I had good congregations, good order, and much seriousness on the subject of religion. There are several Baptists in this vicinity, members of four different churches, which are from eight to twelve miles distant. Some of the brethren are in favor of a church organization, others think the time has not come in which the Lord's house should be built. I believe that the time has past in which it ought to have been built. Some say an organization at this point would weaken other churches. A church that cannot live without strength eight miles distant, is surely unaware of the power she has. Would that we had many of churches weaker in number and stronger in efficiency. It needs no argument to prove that a community is bound to suffer (spiritually) situated so far from church influences. We have lost at this place by delay, and when Baptists occupy this ground soon, when the fathers and mothers of this day have passed, others will have the power and influence of the country. Now, nearly every Baptist man has a wife of another faith, and the ladies have done likewise. It needs not a prophet to foretell the consequences to which this will lead. The people are straightforward, honest, and hard working, then I need not tell you they gave me a hearty welcome to their homes and hospitalities, for that is a natural consequence from a well bred people.

I have labored in the Association since I commenced missionary work forty-six days, sermons preached 38, (the rest of my time was spent in the Beulah Associa-

tion, preached sixteen sermons,) visited and held prayer and religious conversation with forty-three families, attended four meetings where about fifty professed religion.

Churches, communities, and individuals that have contributed to me during vacation:

Summerfield Church,	$ 6 00	
Mt. Carmel, Orange county,	13 75	
Trades Hill, Chatham county,	7 65	
Rev. H. A. Brown,	5 00	
Moore's School House, Alamance county,	6 65	
Gifts in Socks, Collars, &c.,	2 50	
Total,	$41 55	
Expenses of travel,	16 90	
		$24 65

JOHN H. VERNON.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board of the Mt. Zion Association appointed a year ago, had a meeting at Chapel Hill in March last, and of their number appointed a committee of four, to whom was referred the mission work of the Association.

The Committee now beg to report; They employed Licentiate J. H. Vernon to labor during his vacation, and he reports having labored at Company Shops and at Moore's School House, near Saxapahaw, in Alamance county. The report shows a decided interest in preaching, and the people anxiously waiting for something to be done to organize a church, or at least regular preaching.

The Committee reports having paid Brother Vernon for his services ($50) fifty dollars, and the amount of funds on hand about ($100) one hundred dollars, (we are not informed particularly, as the Treasurer of the Board is not present,) to be expended. Your Committee recommend that the work be carried on, and that the Committee be instructed to provide a laborer for this field, and solicit aid of the churches to prosecute it.

THOS. D. OLDHAM, Chm'n.

On motion, the above report was adopted, and the Board appointed a year ago continued for the next.

On motion, the Clerk allowed ten dollars as his salary, to be paid out of the Association fund, and the remainder be spent in printing minutes, and they distributed to the churches in proportion to amount of cash paid.

On motion, a vote of thanks returned to the Methodist brethren for their kindness in tendering us the use of their house of worship during the sitting of the Association.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next meeting. Prayer, Elder J. C. Marcom leading.

J. C. WILSON, *Mod'r.*

H M. C. STROUD, *Clerk.*

SABBATH, 9½ o'clock A. M.

A Sunday School Mass Meeting was held in the Baptist Church, a large congregation in attendance. Singing conducted by Brother Carlton, of the Raleigh Association, and quite a number of speeches on the subject of Sunday Schools, by various brethren. The singing was excellent.

At eleven o'clock Dr. Brooks preached in the Baptist

Church and Elder F. H. Ivey in the Methodist Church. A collection was taken up, amounting to $29.70, to be equally divided between the two objects, Education and Foreign Missions.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Treasurer, in account with the Association.*

1873. Sept.	To cash received for Education,	$ 133 25
	To cash received for State Missions,	24 50
	To cash received for Foreign Missions,	9 45
	To cash collection on Sabbath,	29 70
	To cash received as Association fund,	36 10
		$233 00

CONTRA.

By cash paid Treasurer Education Fund,	$ 133 25	
By cash paid J. G. Williams, for Education,	14 85	
By cash paid J. G. Williams, for State Missions,	24 50	
By cash paid J. G. Williams, for Foreign Missions,	24 30	
By cash paid Clerk's salary,	10 00	
By cash paid for printing Minutes,	26 10	
		$233 00

H. M. C. STROUD, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Post Offices.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Contribut'ns for Education.	Contribut'ns for Missions.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	A. Durham,	White Cross,	14			21	3	2	115	$ 10 25		$ 2 25
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	D. C. Gunter,	Durham,	7						56			1 00
Bethel,	J. Howell,	Green Level,	S. C. Durham,	White Cross,	14			11	1		81	10 00		2 00
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes,	Oaks,	3	1	1	3		5	223	10 00	$ 3 30	3 00
Chapel Hill,	W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	J. R. Hutchins,	Chapel Hill,	6	5	2	5	2	1	71	20 00		2 00
Hillsboro',	F. H. Jones,	Stony Creek,	J. M. Blackwood	Hillsboro',				3			52	10 00	16 95	1 25
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	19	1	3	11	4	3	112	10 00		3 00
Mt. Carmel,	W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	M. Cheek,	Chapel Hill,	28	4	3	4	3	2	70	10 00		2 00
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beavers,	Green Level,	8	8	2	2	3	3	252	20 00		4 00
Mt. Moriah,	W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	W. T. Patterson,	Chapel Hill,	11	2	1	6	1	1	87	10 00		3 00
Mt. Gilead,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Hackney,	Grove,	8	3	1	2			96			1 50
Mt. Hermon,	J. Howell,	Green Level,	T. J. Whitaker,	Hillsboro',	6	2			3	2	131	3 00		3 00
Olive's Chapel,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	D. T. Johnson,	New Hill,		3	3	6	3	3	200	10 00		3 00
Pleasant Grove,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	L. P. Council,	Grove,		6		1	1		46			
Rose of Sharon,	F. M. Jordan,	Hillsboro',	J. W. Cheek,	Durham,		6		4	10		146	10 00		3 60
Trades Hill,	J. M. Holleman.	New Hill,	R. D. Hackney,	Pittsboro',	9	7					37			1 50
					133	48	16	79	34	22	1775	$ 133 25	$20 25	$36 10

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTH SESSION

OF THE

MT. ZION

Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

Lystra Church, Chatham Co., N. C.,

SEPTEMBER 24, 25 & 26, 1874.

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H. M. C. Stroud, Clerk, Saxapahaw, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	North Carolina.
John C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	" "
James P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	" "
Matthew S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	" "
Samuel Baldwin,	Snipes' Store	" "
W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	" "
Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	" "
T. Boland,	" "	" "
Richard A. Patterson,	Oaks,	" "
George P. Moore,	Pittsboro',	" "

LICENTIATES.

J. M. Hilliard,	Green Level,	North Carolina.

H. M. C. Stroud, Treasurer of Association.
Elder G. W. Purefoy, Treasurer Educational Fund.
E. H. Wilson, Treasurer Executive Board.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Elder J. P. Mason, Elder G. W. Purefoy,
W. T. Patterson, E. H. Wilson,
J. R. Hutchins.

PROCEEDINGS.

LYSTRA, CHATHAM Co., N. C.,
September 24th, 1874.

The Mt. Zion Association assembled with the Lystra Church, in Chatham County, N. C., on Thursday, 24th day of September, 1874.

Elder M. S. Ferrell preached the Introductory Sermon, 11th verse of 3rd chapter 1st Corinthians. Subject: Jesus Christ the foundation.

A recess of one hour was given for refreshments, after which the Association was called to order by Moderator, J. C. Wilson.

Religious exercises by the Moderator.

The churches were called and responded with letters and their delegates as follows:

Antioch—D. M. Durham, W. G. Eubanks, Alvis Durham and Thos. W. Patterson.

Bethel—Merritt Cheek, Manly M. Brewer, W. V. Andrews and L. B. Lloyd.

Berea—L. W. Leigh, G. E. Pope,* W. C. Mason and L. M. Hurst.

Cane Creek—William Cheek, Thos. D. Oldham, Thos. J. Cates and Anderson Cates.*

Chapel Hill—P. H. McDade, E. H. Wilson, William G. Weaver and Dr. A. B. Roberson.

Hillsboro'—John Cheek,* W. H. Newman,* A. P. Stroud and Gales Stroud.*

Lystra—S. E. Cole, A. J. Riggsbee, A. J. Roberson and A. S. Riggsbee.

Mt. Carmel—Robert M. Daniel, Marion Cheek, Ruffin Whitaker and A. Daniel.

Mt. Pisgah—M. D. Williams, L. B. Yates, L. Harward and C. R. Scott.

Mt. Moriah—Henry S. Marcom, W. A. Maddry,* A. Maddry and W. T. Patterson.

Mt. Gilead—J. W. Hackney, A. S. Garner, M. S. Hackney and M. D. Temples.

Mt. Hermon—Charles Bennett, A. J. Carroll, E. Strayhorn and A. C. Hunter.*

Olive's Chapel—J. C. Ragin,* H. J. Barker, N. Beckwith and A. T. Olive.
Pleasant Grove—N. S. Clark, M. T. Horton, N. S. Copelin and W. L. Pope.
Rose of Sharon—J. H. Vernon, J. M. Cheek,* H. P. Smlth and R. H. Proctor.*
Trades' Hill—G. P. Moore, Kelly Mitchell, A. Johnson and R. D. Hackney.*
Graham—James A. Graham and Campbell Lloyd.*
*Those marked thus * did not attend.

Ordained ministers present, members of the Association, to-wit: George W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, James P. Mason, Matthew S. Ferrell, Richard A. Patterson and J. H. Vernon.

The Association then proceeded to the election of a Moderator and Reading Clerk, to-wit:

J. H. Vernon and Y. A. Oldham were appointed tellers, who announced Elder J. C. Wilson elected Moderator, and H. M. C. Stroud Clerk.

An invitation was then given to Corresponding Delegates from Sister Associations and Ministers of the Gospel.

Elder F. H. Ivey, from Central Association, representing the endowment interest of Wake Forest College, and Bro. G. W. Purefoy, Jr., from Central, and E. H. Straughan from the Sandy Creek Association, accepted the invitation and seats with us.

Corresponding Delegates appointed last year to Sister Associations called on to report.

Elder R. A. Patterson and others attended the Sandy Creek Association and reported a kind reception and a very interesting session.

Brethren appointed to other adjoining Associations did not attend, at least none reported as such.

On motion, the following brethren were appointed a Committee of Arrangements, to-wit: Elder J. P. Mason, Bro. J. W. Hackney and Elder R. A. Patterson.

Committee of Arrangements reported the following Order of Business:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9½ o'clock, A. M. Take recess from 12 to 1 P. M.

2nd. Call roll of delegates.

3rd. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Friday morning.
5th. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6th. Call for queries.
7th. Appoint the following Committees:
On Finance.
On Education.
On Church Letters.
On Periodicals.
On Sunday Schools.
On Prayer Meetings.
On Temperance.
On State Missions.
On Foreign Missions.
On Time and Place and stated service of next meeting of the Association.
8th. Call for reports of Correspondents.
9th. Appoint Correspondents to Sister Associations.
10th. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
11th. Call for reports.
12th. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

On motion, the Pastors and Deacons of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises, and,

On motion, agree that the Committee appoint all the Religious Exercises during the session, except appointments already made by this body.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock, to-morrow morning. Prayer, Elder G. W. Purefoy leading.

FRIDAY, MORNING, 9½ o'clock, Sept. 25th, 1874.

Association met. Moderator in the Chair.

Religious exercises conducted by the Moderator.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Constitution and Rules of Order read.

The following Committees were announced by the Moderator:

On Finance—Alvis Durham, J. W. Hackney and C. R. Scott.

On Education—F. H. Ivey, S. E. Cole and T. D. Oldham.
On Church Letters—W. T. Patterson, Robert M. Daniel and H. J. Barker.
On Periodicals—M. S. Ferrell, A. S. Garner and William Cheek.
On Sunday Schools—N. S. Clark, A. P. Stroud and Manly M. Brewer,
On Prayer Meetings—Richard A. Patterson, A. S. Garner and L. B. Yates.
On Temperance—Jas. P. Mason, Henry S. Marcom and E. Strayhorn.
On State Missions—J. A. Garner, Alfred Johnson and W. L. Pope.
On Foreign Missions—J. H. Vernon, M. D. Williams and Dr. A. B. Roberson.
On Time, Place, &c.,—M. D. Williams, Thos. J. Cates and A. S. Garner.

A letter of petition from the church in the town of Graham, Alamance county, N. C., asking admittance as a member of this Association, together with articles of belief of said church, was presented and read, and .

On motion, the said church at Graham was received as a member of this Association, and the right hand of fellowship given to her delegate by the Moderator on behalf of the Association.

Appointed Correspondents to Sister Associations as follows:

To Beulah—Elder J. H. Vernon.
To Sandy Creek—G. P. Moore, R. A. Patterson, J. W. Hackney, J. C. Wilson and Dr. A. B. Roberson.
To Raleigh—M. S. Ferrell, M. D. Williams, W. L. Pope and H. P. Smith.
To Central—J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason, J. H. Hilliard and J. H. Vernon.
To Flat River—A. P. Stroud and J. H. Vernon.

Committee on Education reported.

On motion, the report was tabled until 2 o'clock this evening.

Committee on Periodicals reported.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by M. S. Ferrell, J. H. Vernon and G. W. Purefoy.

Elder Vernon was allowed an opportunity to obtain subscribers to the *Biblical Recorder*. Reported eleven new subscribers.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals, beg leave to report that they deem this an important subject.

From Religious Periodicals we learn what is occurring in the churches. Some object to Religious Periodicals because there is too much controversy. Some because there is too much novelty. Some because of too much solemnity, and others because there is something said about money, as if all these subjects were not connected with religion.

Brethren, let us lay aside our prejudices, and remember that others have a right to think as well as we. We, therefore, recommend the *Biblical Recorder*, published in Raleigh, to the favorable consideration of your body, hoping that there will be a copy taken by at least every family.

And also, to the Sabbath Schools, *Kind Words*, as an excellent paper for the dissemination of knowledge necessary on this subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. S. FERRELL, Chm'n.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, took recess until 1 o'clock.

Friday, 1 o'clock, P. M.

Association convened. Moderator in the Chair.

On motion, the report on Education was recommitted and the Committee to report to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Committee on Temperance reported.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders Patterson and Ivey and the report was adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee reports the following:

In order the better to understand the blessings of Temperance we should look at the evils of Intemperance. Not only the world but our churches are suffering greatly by this evil. Therefore,

Resolved, That this Association recommend the churches, composing the same, to exercise a more rigid discipline against this evil.

J. P. MASON, Chm'n.

Committee on State Missions reported.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Brother James A. Graham and Elder F. H. Ivey, and the report was adopted:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions beg leave to report the following:

The subject of Domestic Missions is one which should occupy the attention of all Baptists.

While the command of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," continues, it is our bounden duty to obey it, and send the blessed word to the destitute places of our own land and State, as well as to the heathen. Missions are truly Baptist work.

The spiritual destitution existing even in the bounds of our own Association is appalling, while that in other sections of the State seems even to be greater. To have it said that there is a county within our State in which christians of our faith are unknown is sad indeed; yet such is the fact, and it will remain so until those who have found the Lord precious to their own souls give more liberally of their time and means to spread His glorious Gospel among those by whom they are surrounded.

Let us come fully up to the importance of the work.

Resolved, Therefore, that we commend to the different churches, composing this Association, that they adopt some regular plan of giving to this important object, and that each member should be required to give of his substance as the Lord hath prospered him.

Your Committee would further call to your attention, as perhaps coming within the scope of their duty, the subject of church extension, and recommend, if practicable, the raising of a fund, to be known as the Church Extension Fund, to be used for the purpose of aiding destitute sections in building houses of worship.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. GRAHAM, Chm'n.

Committee on Time and Place, and stated services of next meeting reported:

Thursday before the third Sabbath in September, 1875, as the time, and Cane Creek Church, Orange county, as the place. Bro. George P. Moore to preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder John C. Wilson to preach a Sermon on Missions.

On motion, the report was divided. The question as to time was taken up, and Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in September, 1875, as the time, and the remainder of the report was adopted as presented.

On motion of Elder George W. Purefoy, ordered that the Clerk have printed with the minutes the New Hampshire confession of faith and the Constitution and Rules of Order of this Association.

On motion, Elder J. H. Vernon was requested to present to or exhibit to the Association the Church Members Manual of the Greensboro' Baptist Church.

On motion, the request of Trades' Hill Church, to-wit: The question of ordaining Bro. George P. Moore, was duly considered, and the Ordained Ministers of this Association were appointed a Presbytery to examine Bro. Moore with regard to his call to the Gospel Ministry, and ordain him if deemed by them expedient.

On motion, at the request of Bro. Merritt Cheek, leave of absence was granted him after adjournment this evening.

On motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning 9½ o'clock. Prayer, Elder M. S. Ferrell leading.

SATURDAY, 9½ o'clock, A. M., Sept. 26th, 1874.

Association met. Religious exercises conducted by Moderator Wilson.

Roll call, absentees noticed.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

The report on Education, recommitted yesterday, presented and read.

On motion to adopt, the subject of Denominational Schools, and the necessity of Preparatory Schools in every church or congregation, and the good results that would result from such schools, were impressed upon the Association by Elder F. H. Ivey, and the report was adopted:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

During the past year there have been thirteen beneficiaries at Wake Forest College, making satisfactory progress in their studies. This number ought to

be increased, and would be, if the churches would contribute funds to sustain a larger number.

Our people are not giving that attention to the education of their children which the great importance of the subject demands. The schools already established are not as liberally patronized as they should be, though they are so few in number. There ought to be a school, with a competent teacher, in connection with every Baptist church, that the rising generation might have the advantage of a good education.

An educated ministry is more and more demanded. We must look mainly to our College, while the effort to endow Wake Forest College has not been as largely successful as was hoped. Yet much has been accomplished; and efforts are still being made to carry on and finish the endowment work.

Respectfully submitted

F. H. IVEY, Chairman.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

RECEIVED FROM THE CHURCHES.

For	Education,	$ 58 85
"	Foreign Missions,	3 05
"	State Missions,	15 00
"	Home Missions,	45 35
"	Association Fund,	44 50
	Total	$166 75

Repectfully submitted,

ALVIS DURHAM, Chairman.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sunday Schools beg leave to report, from information obtained, with but two or three exceptions, there are Sunday Schools in all the churches within the bounds of this Association.

In regard to the subject of Schools we consider it inferior to nothing but that of the christian religion. It is the stepping stone to religion itself, and the nursery from which the churches are to be supported. This being the case, we insist that it is the duty of every member of the church, whether male or female, to engage in this work in some way. For there is no member of a church who cannot do something for the Redeemer's Kingdom, and in our opinion the Sunday School is the place to effect much good.

These schools are intended for training the youth and assisting their parents in bringing them up in the fear of the Lord; and also, to make impressions upon their minds, that will enable them to follow that strait and narrow way that leads from this to another and better world.

And, in conclusion, we call upon all who have taken upon themselves the name of Jesus to be more zealous in the future than in the past.

N. S. CHEEK, CHAIRMAN.

Committee on Prayer Meetings reported.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders R. A. Patterson, G. W. Purefoy and J. P. Mason.

REPORT ON PRAYER MEETINGS.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report:

That Prayer Meetings are a great privilege of the church, and for our encouragement, there is left on record some of the benefits of prayer-meetings. For our encouragement, God's word furnishes us with many examples. And in answer to prayer he delivered Peter from prison, even supprising the faith of the little assembly interested on his account. Acts 12.

Our observation is that when we trust and pray He blesses us. Some of the revivals are the fruits of little prayer meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. YATES, CHAIRMAN.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted in connection with the above report, and ordered to be printed with the minutes:

Resolved. That we, the Ministers and Delegates composing this Association, return to our churches and use our best efforts to organize prayer meetings in our churches and charges, and report results to our next Association.

Recess given for one hour.

SATURDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Association resumed business.

Treasurer of Educational Fund reported $133.25 paid for

our beneficiary at the College, and that there is yet due for his expenses $22.00.

The following resolution was then adopted:

WHEREAS, This Association has from its formation been sustaining a beneficiary at Wake Forest College in the person of our beloved brother, J. H. Vernon,

AND WHEREAS, Brother Vernon has this day declared his intention not to claim further assistance from this Association. Therefore,

Resolved, That the churches of this Association each continue to contribute at least ten dollars annually for the support of a beneficiary at Wake Forest College in the person of some one hereafter to be selected by the Association.

A collection was then taken up for the Educational Board, and paid over to Bro. Ivey, amounting to $22.60.

Committee appointed to report delegates to the Baptist State Convention, to meet in Wilmington, N. C., Wednesday before the second Sunday in November next, reported the following names as delegates:

J. R. Pugh, Wm. G. Quackenbush, Thos. D. Oldham, John Cheek, J. W. Dowd, H. P. Smith, R. M. Daniel, A. J. Carroll, Thos J. Cates, John R. Ward, H. J. Barker, A. P. Stroud, James A. Graham, N. S. Cheek, W. C. Cole, E. H. Wilson, R. A. Patterson and G. P. Moore.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report the following:

The command of our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," is imperative.

2nd. Our efforts to supply the heathen with the glad tidings of salvation is the true criterion by which to determine the efficiency of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. VERNON, CHAIRMAN.

The report was adopted.

The Executive Board, through their Chairman, made the following report, which was adopted:

The Executive Board of your Association beg leave to report that they have

had a Missionary in the field for three quarters, commencing the first of January and ending last of September, 1874.

Your Missionary has labored at Moore's School House and at Graham, in Alamance county, N. C. There has been a church organized at Graham and at Moore's School House. There is an arm of Cane Creek Church formed, and three persons have been baptized there.

Your Committee have received from the churches for Home Missions $260.44, and paid to Elder W. T. Farrow, our Missionary, $225.06, leaving a balance of money in hand of the Treasurer, $35.38.

We recommend the appointment of a new board for the ensuing year, that this work may be vigorously carried forward.

THOS. D. OLDHAM, Chairman.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

E. H. WILSON, Treasurer Executive Board,
In account with the Board.

1874.			
Sept. 24.	To amount received at sundry times to date,.....		$260 44
	By amount paid Elder Farrow to date,.....	$225 06	
	By balance in hand carried down.....	35 58	260 44
	To balance brought down, being cash in hand,.....		$ 35 38

E. H. WILSON,
Treasurer Executive Board.

The Committee on Church Letters reported as follows:

REPORT ON CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee on Church Letters beg leave to report that during the year past, most of the churches have enjoyed a revival of religion, and there has been an increase in the aggregate of 109 members, and a considerable increase in contributions, except to the cause of Education, in which there is a lamentable decrease.

Your Committee, therefore, would take this opportunity of reminding the churches of their pledge to sustain at least one beneficiary at Wake Forest College, and recommend that they send up their deficiency to the Educational Board of the Association. (For contributions of the churches see the report on Finance.)

W. T. PATTERSON, Chairman.

On motion the following brethren were appointed an Executive Board for the ensuing year: James P. Mason, George

W. Purefoy. W. T. Patterson, E. H. Wilson and J. R. Hutchins.

The following resolution was presented, and,

On motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That the Association appoint a Historian, whose duty it shall be to collect all statistics and facts concerning the organization of the Association and the churches composing the same, and any other facts connected with its history from year to year. That said Historian shall be appointed yearly, and shall report to the meeting of the Association succeeding his appointment, and that his reports, when adopted by the Association, shall be filed with the Clerk, and by him recorded in the Associational Record at the foot of the minutes of that meeting.

On motion, Bro. James A. Graham was appointed Historian for the ensuing year.

On motion, Elders J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason, M. S. Ferrell, J. H. Vernon and Bro. M. D. Williams were appointed a Committee to perform some duty which has entirely escaped my mind; and not being able to see any one to refresh my memory, and my notes so imperfect that I cannot understand them, I hope the brethren composing the Committee will remember their appointment and perform their duty if necessary and report to next meeting.—Clerk.

On motion, a Committee of three, to-wit: Elders J. H. Vernon, G. W. Purefoy and J. D. Mason were appointed to draft or prepare, and have printed, what may be termed the Mt. Zion Church Members' Hand Book or Manual.

On motion, the pastors of the churches, composing this Association, are requested to bring before their charges the financial subject connected with the various benevolent objects of the Association.

On motion, the Clerk pay his usual fee ($10.00) and have as many copies of minutes printed as the balance of fund will pay for, and distribute to the churches in proportion to the amount paid by each for that purpose.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next meeting. Prayer by Bro. G. P. Moore.

JOHN C. WILSON, MODERATOR.

H. M. C. STROUD, Clerk.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF ASSOCIATION.

H. M. C. STROUD, TREASURER,

In account with the Association.

1874.	DR.		
Sept. 26.	To amount received from Committee on Finance,	$ 166 75	
" "	cash collection on Sabbath,.....	12 75	$179 50

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By cash paid Treasurer Education Fund,.....		$ 63 10	
" " sent John G. Williams, Treas. F. M.....		7 30	
" " " " " " " S. M.....		19 25	
" " paid Treasurer Home Missions,.....		45 35	
" " " Clerk's Salary,.....		10 00	
" " " Stationary and Postage,.....		50	
" " " Printing Minutes, ...		34 00	$179 50

H. M. C. STROUD, TREASURER.

SABBATH MORNING, Sept. 26th, 1874.

The Presbytery appointed in obedience to the call of Trades' Hill Church, met this morning to set apart Bro. George P. Moore to the great and responsible work of the Gospel Ministry.

Order of exercise as follows:

Religious excrcises conducted by Elder J. H. Vernon; ordaining prayer, Elder R. A. Patterson; charge by Elder F. H. Ivey; presentation of the Bible, by Elder M. S. Ferrell; imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

The services were very impressive, and it will be long before the charge so appropriately delivered by Elder Ivey will be forgotten.

The congregatioa (a very large one) then assembled at a stand prepared in the grove. Elder J. C. Wilson preached a sermon on Missions from 11th Psalm, 1st verse: "Why do the heathen rage and the people imagine a vain thing."

A collection was then taken up to be divided equally between the three objects, to-wit: Foreign Missions, State Missions and Education, amounting to $12 75.

At 2 o'clock, Judge John Kerr addressed the congregation. His subject: "The genuine feature of the true church of Christ."

Thus ended the fifth session of the Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

H. M. C. STROUD, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF BELIEF,

ADOPTED BY THE BAPTIST CHURCH AT GRAHAM, ALAMANCE COUNTY, N. C., AND ORDERED TO BE PRINTED WITH OUR MINUTES, AS FOLLOWS:

I. THE SCRIPTURES.

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture or error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore is, and shall remain, to the end of the world, the true centre of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds and opinions should be tried.

II. THE TRUE GOD.

We believe the Scriptures teach one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite and intelligent spirit, whose name is Jehovah, the maker and supreme ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead, there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct, but harmonious offices in the great work of Redemption.

III. THE FALL OF MAN.

We believe the Scriptures teach that man was created in holiness, under the law of his Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from the holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being by nature entirely void of that holiness required by the word of God, positively inclined to evil, and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

IV. THE DAY OF SALVATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God; who, by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon himself our nature, yet without sin, honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by his death, made a a full atonement for our sins; that, having risen from the dead, he is now enthroned in heaven, and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympa-

thies with divine perfection, he is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate and an all-sufficient Saviour.

V. JUSTIFICATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the Great Gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in him is justification; that justification includes the pardon of sin, and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood, by virtue of which faith, His perfect righeousness is freely imputed unto us of God; that it brings us into a state of more blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

VI. THE FREENESS OF SALVATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial, penitential and obedient faith, and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner but his own determined depravity, and voluntary rejection of the Gospel, which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation.

VII. REGENERATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind; that it is effected in a manner above our comprehension, by the power of the Holy Spirit, in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel, and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of repentance and faith and newness of life.

VIII—REPENTANCE AND FAITH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that repentance and faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating spirit of God; whereby being deeply convinced of our guilt, danger and helplessness, and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our Prophet, Priest and King, and relying on him alone as the only and all-sufficient Saviour.

IX—GOD'S PURPOSE OF GRACE.

We believe that the Scriptures teach that election is the eternal purpose

of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners; that, being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects on all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance, and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

X.—SANCTIFICATION.

We believe the Scriptures teach that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means, especially the word of God, self-examination, watchfulness and prayer.

XI.—PERSEVERANCE OF SAINTS.

We believe the Scriptures teach that such only are real believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special providence watches over their welfare and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

XII —THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just and good, and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen man to fulfill its precepts, arises entirely from the love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the Holy Law, is one great end of the Gospel, and of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

XIII.—A GOSPEL CHURCH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel, observing the ordinances of Christ, governed by his laws, and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by His word;

that its only scriptural officers are Bishops or Pastors, and Deacons, whose qualifications claims and duties are defined in the Epistles to Timothy and Titus.

XIV.—BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER.

We believe the Scriptures teach that Christian baptism is the *immersion in water* of a boliever into the name of the Father and Son and Holy Ghost, to show forth in a solemn and beautiful emblem our faith in the crucified, buried and risen Saviour, with its effects in our death to sin, and resurrection to a new life ; that it is pre-requisite to the privileges of a church relation, and to the Lord's Supper, in which the members of the church. by the sacred use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ, preceded always by self-examination

XV.—THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the first day of the week is the Lord's day or Christian Sabbath, and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes by abstaining from all secular labor and sinful recreations, by the devout observance of all means of Grace, both private and public, and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.

XVI.—CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

We believe the Scriptures teach that Civil Government is of divine appointment for the interest and good order of human society, and that Magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored and obeyed, except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience and the Prince of the Kings of the Earth.

XVII.—RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED.

We believe the Scriptures teach that there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked ; that such only, as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and sanctified by the Spirit of God, are truly righteous in his esteem ; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked and under the curse, and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

XVIII.—THE WORLD TO COME.

We believe the Scriptures teach that the end of the world is approaching, that, at the last day, Christ will descend from Heaven and raise the dead from

the grave for final retribution ; that a solemn separation will then take place ; that the wicked will then be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy ; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of man in Heaven or Hell, on principles of righteousness.

Return O holy dove return
sweet messenger of rest
I hate the sins that made me
to mourn and wait

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who, by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each Church shall not exceed four.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored. dismissed by letter, ex-communicated, and deceased during the preceding year, also the total number in fellowship, and the amount of funds sent up to the Association, and for what objects sent, together with Sunday school statistics.

ART. 5. The members thus chosen and convened, shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts this Association, shall recognize Christ as the only Law Giver in Zion, and that every individual Church is an independent body, with executive, but no legislative power.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association, when requested, by aggrieved churches to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual application will not be entertained.

ART. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church, that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists, as the true teachings thereof.

ART. 9. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, the former to be elected annually by ballot, the latter to be also elected by ballot, but to hold his office during the pleasure of the Association.

ART. 10. The Clerk shall act as Treasurer and disburse the funds as directed by the Association. He shall also annually transcribe the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose.

ART. 11. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received, and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given, that they are truly of our faith and order.

ART. 12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made, at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

RULES OF ORDER.

Article 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer by the Moderator, or by some brother at his request.

Art. 2. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over each day, and the proceedings of the previous day read over before proceeding to other business.

Art. 3. All questions before the Association shall be decided by the living voice, except a division is called for, then by rising.

Art 4. No member shall speak more than twice, on any subject, without permission from the Moderator.

Art. 5 It shall be the duty of members to obtain permission before leaving the Association.

Art 6. While a brother is speaking it shall be deemed a breach of order for any member to pass between the speaker and Moderator, or to engage in conversation, or in any way to interfere with the speaker.

Art 7. Every member must arise and address the Moderator and confine himself strictly to the subject before the body, use appropriate language, address no member by any other appellation except that of brother, and cast no reflection on any member.

Art. 8. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, by calling some member temporarily to the Chair, and when requisite give the casting vote.

Art. 9. Written queries, from the churches or from members, and resolutions, must be twice read ; and signed by the mover before they are received for discussion.

Art. 10. No motion without a second shall be received. The mover may withdraw his motion if it is done before it is voted upon.

Art. 11. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend ; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

Art. 12. When a motion has been carried it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority to move for the reconsideration on the same day.

Art. 13. All Committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

Art. 14. The Clerk shall make out a list of the members appointed upon each Committee, stating the subject to be reported upon, and hand it to the chairman as early as practicable.

Art. 15. Should any member violate any of the preceding rules of order it shall be the duty of the Moderator to call him to order. If he fail to do so any member of the body shall have the same privilege.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Post Offices.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Contributions sent up. Home Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	R. A. Patterson	Oaks	J. S. Durham,	White Cross,	19	...	...	9	5	...	119	...	...	...	...	$3 50
Bethel,	Jesse Howell	Green Level,	S. C. Durham,	White Cross,	12	2	...	3	...	1	97	$5 00	...	...	...	2 00
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	D. C. Gunter,	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	45	...	...	...	...	1 50
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes,	Oaks,	47	1	2	1	2	1	269	5 00	...	...	$5 00	4 00
Chapel Hill,	...	...	J. R. Hutchins,	Chapel Hill,	3	1	...	2	1	1	75	...	...	...	10 00	2 00
Graham,	W. T. Farrow,	Chapel Hill,	J. A. Graham,	Graham,	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	1 00
Hillsboro',	...	...	J. M. Blackwood	Hillsboro',	...	1	...	1	1	...	51	...	...	$1 35	10 00	2 00
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	5	...	2	4	1	1	113	...	...	25	8 15	2 50
Mt. Carmel,	R. A. Patterson	Oaks,	M. Cheek,	Chapel Hill,	...	3	...	1	...	...	72	4 25	...	...	...	2 75
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beavers,	Green Level,	14	...	...	11	3	2	250	...	...	...	...	4 00
Mt. Moriah,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	W. T. Patterson	Chapel Hill,	...	2	...	1	2	1	85	...	...	...	5 70	3 00
Mt. Gilead,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Hackney,	Grove,	8	2	2	8	4	1	94	3 10	...	1 50	...	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	J. Howell,	Green Level,	A. C. Hunter,	Hillsboro',	...	...	...	1	3	3	119	...	...	...	10 00	2 00
Olive's Chapel,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	D. T. Johnson,	New Hill,	18	6	...	7	3	2	216	3 00	...	...	...	4 00
Pleasant Grove,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	L. P. Council,	Grove,	...	3	...	...	1	...	49	...	...	...	...	2 25
Rose of Sharon	F. M. Jordan	Hillsboro',	J. W. Cheek,	Durham,	...	8	...	1	3	...	176	21 00	15 00	...	10 00	4 00
Trades' Hill,	J. M. Holleman	Apex,	R. D. Hackney,	Pittsboro',	11	3	...	...	...	...	54	5 00	...	25	...	2 00
					135	32	6	50	30	13	1891	$46 35	$15 00	$3 35	$58 85	$44 50

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ELDER JOHN C. WILSON, MODERATOR, Merry Oaks, N. C.
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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

GEORGE W. PUREFOY,	Chapel Hill,	North Carolina.
JOHN C. WILSON,	Merry Oaks,	" "
JAMES P. MASON,	Chapel Hill,	" "
MATTHEW S. FERRELL,	Green Level,	" "
SAMUEL BALDWIN,	Snipes' Store,	" "
JESSE HOWELL,	Green Level,	" "
T. BOLAND,	" "	" "
RICH'D A. PATTERSON,	Oaks,	" "
GEORGE P. MOORE,	Pittsboro',	" "
A. F. REDD,	Chapel Hill,	" "
J. H. VERNON,	" "	" "
W. B. HARRELL,	Durham,	" "

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

JAMES P. MASON, A. F. REDD,
W. T. PATTERSON, E. H. WILSON,
J. R. HUTCHINS.

PROCEEDINGS.

CANE CREEK, ORANGE CO., N .C., Sept. 23, 1875.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association held its sixth annual meeting with the Church at Cane Creek, Orange County, N. C., commencing on Thursday, September 23d, 1875.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder George P. Moore, from 2nd Kings, 10th chapter, and part of the 15th verse.

A recess of one hour was taken, after which the Association was called to order by Elder J. C. Wilson, former Moderator.

Religious services, Moderator reading 84th Psalm.

Singing and prayer, Elder W. B. Harrell leading.

On motion of Elder J. P. Mason, Bro. James A. Graham was appointed Reading Clerk.

The Churches were then called, and responded with letters, and their delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch.—Alvis Durham, John R. Ward, D. M. Durham and *Weldon M. Stroud.

Bethel.—W. V. Andrews, L. V. Lloyd, Thos. M. Lloyd, S. C. Durham.

Berea.—A. N. Leigh, S. J. Pope, H. Leigh, W. C. Mason.

Cane Creek.—William Cheek, Thos. D. Oldham, Thos. J. Cates, David M. Sykes.

Chapel Hill.—P. H. McDade, Wm. G. Weaver, Dr. A. B. Robertson, John R. Hutchins.

Graham.—Campbell Lloyd, J. A. Graham, W. A. Albright, R. A. Noel.

Hillsboro.—John Cheek, John Jordan, James W. Stroud.

Lystra.—John A. Partin, W. R. Mitchell, E. C. Riggsbee, E. Riggsbee.

Mt. Carmel.—John M. Riggsbee, Marion Cheek, James Goodwin, Robert M. Daniel.

Mt. Pisgah.—*J. M. Hilliard, C. R. Scott, H. D. Mason, Wm. H. Merritt.

Mt. Moriah.—William Couch, H. Q. Strain, Abel Maddry, Willie T. Patterson.

Hackney.

Mt. Hermon.—James McCauley, J. C. Strayhorn, H. C. McCauley, J. R. Baldwin.

Olive's Chapel.—James H. Olive, O. J. Upchurch, *N. Beckwith, *R. C. Council.

Pleasant Grove.—*Thos. W. Womble, *L. P. Council, J. C. Barker, *N. S. Copeland.

Rose of Sharon.—Nash Cheek, Thomas Farthing, Haywood Andrews.

Trudes Hill.—*Thos. L. Lassiter, Alfred Johnson, *J. A. Thomas, *R. D. Hackney.

Those marked thus (*) did not attend.

Ordained Ministers present, members of this Association, as follows, to-wit: Elders George W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, James P. Mason, George P. Moore, J. H. Vernon, Wm. B. Harrell and R. A. Patterson.

On motion, proceeded to elect a Moderator by appointing Brethren J. H. Vernon and James A. Graham tellers. Elder John C. Wilson being elected, the Association was declared organized, and proceeded to business.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Brother Wm. P. Oldham, from Eastern Association; Elder C. T. Bailey, on behalf of the Education Board and Editor of the *Biblical Recorder*; G. W. Green, Missionary of Sunday School Board; and J. H. Mills, Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, accepted the invitation and seats.

On motion, Bro. J. H. Mills addressed the Association on the subject of the Orphan Asylum in a very interesting manner, after which, on motion of Bro. James A. Graham, a collection was taken up for the benefit of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, amounting to $21.95, and paid over to Brother Mills.

On motion, Brethren J. P. Mason, Nash Cheek and J. H. Vernon were appointed a Committee of Arrangements, to report as early as practicable.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

1. The Association shall meet at 9:30 o'clock A. M.; take recess from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M.

2. Call Roll of Delegates.

3. Read and correct, if necessary, the Minutes of proceeding day.
4. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Friday morning.
5. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6. Call for queries.
7. Appoint the following Committees: On Finance; on Education; on Church Letters; on Periodicals; on Sunday Schools; on Prayer Meetings; on Temperance; on State Missions; on Foreign Missions; on Time and Place and Stated Service of next meeting.
8. Call for reports of Correspondents.
9. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.
10. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
11. Call for reports.
12. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

On motion, report adopted.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of this Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the session of the Association.

On motion, adjourned to 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer, Elder Bailey leading.

FRIDAY, 9:30 O'CLOCK, A. M., Sept. 23, 1875.

Association met. Religious exercises. Prayer, Bro. G. W. Green leading.

Roll called, and proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Constitution and Rules of Order read.

Invitation extended to visiting brethren.

Moderator appointed the following Committees:

On Finance.—Alvis Durham, John R. Ward and William Cheek.

On Education.—Elders J. H. Vernon, William H. Merritt and Jas. Olive.

On Church Letters.—C. R. Scott, H. D. Mason and William G. Weaver.

On Periodicals.—Elder W. B. Harrell, J. R. Hutchins and Elder C. T. Bailey.

On Sunday Schools.—Rev. G. W. Green, Anderson P. Gates and William A. Albright.

On Prayer Meetings.—Elder G. P. Moore, Nash Cheek and Abel Maddry.

On Temperance.—Elder R. A. Patterson, Wm. Couch and L. M. Hackney.

On State Missions.—Jas. A. Graham, Sidney C. Durham and John Cheek.

On Foreign Missions.—Elder James P. Mason, Wilton Andrews and John Jordan.

On Time and Place, &c.—Thos. J. Cates, O. J. Upchurch and James McCauley.

Correspondents appointed last year to sister Associations called on to report.

Elder G. P. Moore reported that he and others attended the meeting of the Sandy Creek Association, and gave a satisfactory account of the session of said Association. Elder J. H. Vernon attended the Raleigh Association. Other Associations were not attended.

Correspondents were appointed to sister Associations as follows:

To Beulah.—J. H. Vernon and James A. Graham.

To Sandy Creek.—G. P. Moore, J. W. Hackney, J. H. Vernon, W. A. Albright and R. A. Patterson.

To Raleigh.—J. P. Mason, C. R. Scott, Robert M. Daniel, Nash Cheek and W. C. Mason.

To Central.—W. B. Harrell, J. P. Mason and J. H. Vernon.

To Flat River.—John Jordan and A. Maddry.

On motion of James A. Graham, the following brethren were appointed a Committee to appoint delegates to the Baptist State Convention, to meet in Shelby, on the 10th day of November next, to-wit: Elders Jas. D. Mason and J. H. Vernon and Bro. John Jordan.

Committee on Periodicals reported as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals regard a sound and well circulated denominational literature as an essential to the success of the truth, in every age of the Church's history. Especially is this so in this age of isms and general diffusion of thought. All the enterprises of man, for the support of principles, in the instruction of the race, in any of the departments of knowledge, use this potent instrumentality. Shall God's people—the advocates of light and knowledge, the defenders of the faith that blesses in this life and saves the soul, be less wise than they, and less earnest in the use of means that tend to the success of the great work to which God has called us?

We are glad to report that the *Biblical Recorder*, a most excellent religious and family newspaper, originated by the honored fathers and devoted ser-

vants of Christ forty years ago, is still true to the principles of Christ, and well worthy of a place in every Christian family. We regard its existence as a necessity, and its circulation in our midst as one of the best means of strengthening our cause and instructing our people. It should be taken by every Baptist family in North Carolina.

W. B. HARRELL,
C. T. BAILEY, } Committee.
J. R. HUTCHINS,

The report called forth earnest and interesting speeches from Elders W. B. Harrell, C. T. Bailey and others, and report was adopted.

Committee on State Missions presented the following report:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions beg leave to report: That as Baptists we ought to feel it our duty to carry out the divine precept, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." It is one of the most important, if not the most important, work we can undertake. While missions of all sorts should be, and must indeed be carried on, yet our paramount duty is to see to it that the people of our own native land have the Gospel preached to them. But the section that is immediately around us and within the bounds of our Association, calls for our first efforts, for if we can only truly evangelize them, we will have but the more aid to assist us in our efforts in other and more distant sections.

Much aid has already been extended to destitute points within our bounds by your Executive Board, but much more can yet be done.

Let us contribute liberally of the substance with which God hath blessed us to carry on this glorious work, feeling that "God loveth a cheerful giver," and that he will bless our efforts in this direction.

One important feature of this work, in the opinion of your Committee, is within our bounds, is the building of houses of worship for feeble Churches, and we would recommend the raising of a fund for Church extension, which shall be used entirely for aiding such feeble places.

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend to every Pastor within the bounds of this Association, the plan of giving their congregations the opportunity of contributing to the cause of Missions, Sunday Schools, the Orphans' Home, Ministerial Education, and to any other benevolent object, every time they hold regular services on Sunday, at their several Churches, the Pastors always stating the object of the collection at each meeting, before the Deacons wait on the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. GRAHAM,
S. C. DURHAM, } Committee.
JOHN CHEEK,

Brother James A. Graham addressed the body on the subject of State Missions, though more especially on Church extension.

Elder J. H. Vernon made a verbal report of his mission in our bounds during the past year. Pending the adoption of the report, a resolution was offered by Elder Harrell, which was accepted and ordered to be appended to the report.

Report and resolution adopted.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported the following:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report:

The work of preaching the gospel to the heathen seems to be more than any other indirect obedience to the last great command of our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." And, when we consider the deplorable condition of so large a proportion of the world that have never heard the gospel, and the struggles of some good men to preach to the heathen, and the earnest appeals of our Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, it should cause every Christian, and especially every Baptist, to bestir themselves, and make great sacrifices, that this gospel shall be preached in all the world.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MASON,
WILTON ANDREWS, } Committee.
JOHN JORDAN,

After earnest remarks by Brethren G. W. Green, G. W. Purefoy, J. P. Mason, and others, the report was adopted.

The following resolution, by Brother James A. Graham, as to Church statistics, was adopted, to be appended to the Minutes:

WHEREAS, The statistical report of the membership of the different Churches as made in the Church letters, do not show the true and exact number of members belonging to the respective Churches; therefore,

Resolved, That the Clerks of the Churches be requested, as early as practicable, to furnish the Clerk of this Association the exact number of members on the rolls of their respective Churches.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

You Committee on Finance beg leave to report:

Received from the Churches:

Association fund	$ 38 00
For Education	37 10
For Foreign Missions	11 70
For Home Missions	22 50
	$109 30

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Paid to Treasurer	$109 30

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALVIS DURHAM, CHAIRMAN.

Report adopted.

Adjourned to 9:30 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow. Prayer by Elder R. A. Patterson.

SATURDAY MORNING, Sept. 25, 1875.

Association met, Moderator presiding. Religious exercises by Elder J. H. Vernon.

Roll called and absentees noted. Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Invitation extended to corresponding delegates. Bro. R. F. Andrews, from Sandy Creek Association, being present, accepted a seat with us.

Committee on Education reported the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

This is a grave subject—one that calls for decided action on our part—yet we do not know how, in a limited report of this kind, to bring the sub ject properly before the people. Our people are poor—very poor in this world's goods, and poorer in knowledge. What shall, what can we do to interest our people in the cause of liberal education? We should use our best endeavors to secure competent teachers to instruct the rising generation, and urge all of our young people to pursue a collegiate course whenever it is practicable.

J. H. VERNON, CHAIRMAN.

On motion to adopt the report, Elder C. T. Bailey, agent for the Education Board of the Baptist State Convention,

addressed the Association at some length, showing the work of our State Educational Board, and urging the importance of education, especially to Baptists. He was followed on the same subject, by Elders G. W. Purefoy, John Jordan, James A. Graham and Rev. A. F. Redd.

Report adopted.

Committee on Time and Place and Stated Service of the next meeting of this Association recommended Olive's Chapel as the place; Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in September, 1876, as the time; Elder J. H. Vernon to preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder James P. Mason to preach the Missionary Sermon.

Elder W. B. Harrell moved to strike out Olive's Chapel and insert Mt. Hermon as the place. The motion was adopted, and the report, as amended, was accepted and adopted.

Committee on Temperance reported:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee, submit the following report:

Temperance is a command of God. We should be temperate in all things; in dressing, eating, and more particularly in drinking. Drinking to excess of anything that will intoxicate, by professing Christians, is highly detrimental to the success of the gospel. It destroys the mind and disqualifies the individual for usefulness. Therefore we recommend the exclusion of all persons from our fellowship who indulge excessively in ardent spirits.

B. A. PATTERSON.

Consideration of the report postponed till the afternoon session.

Recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met after recess at 1:30 o'clock, P. M.

Consideration of the report on Temperance was resumed.

After remarks by Bro. W. A. Albright and Elders Harrell and Bailey, the report was adopted.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported:

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We are glad to find, from the letters and delegates, that fifteen of the Churches of this Association report Sunday Schools for a part or the whole of the year. Of these Churches, seven, with a membership of 10,93, report in Sunday Schools 546 teachers and scholars. We regret that the Clerks did not pay more attention to the article in the Constitution requiring the Churches to send full Sunday School statistics. We hope they will next year remember this.

The time seems to us to have passed when it is necessary to argue the question as to the importance of Sunday Schools. But we still need something to convince all our brethren that it is the duty of each one of them to take part in the Sunday School. We recommend to the members of our Churches not to neglect their Sunday School Convention; attend it, make it interesting, and through it stir up our Churches to their full duty to the young and old.

We regret that nothing, except by the Sunday School at Hillsboro and the Church at Durham, has been done by this Association to help the Sunday School Board of the State Convention to carry out their motto, "An evergreen Sunday School in every Baptist Church, and in every destitute neighborhood in the State, and all the members of our Churches at work in the Sunday School." We hope the Pastors and members of this Association will remember this part of the work of our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. GREENE,
W. A. ALBRIGHT.

After remarks by Rev. G. W. Greene, Corresponding Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Sunday School Convention, the report was adopted.

A collection was then taken up for the Sunday School Board, amounting to $4.90, which sum was paid over to Bro. G. W. Greene.

The Treasurer of the Executive Board reported the following:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

On hand September, 1874	$ 35 38
Union Meeting at Durham.....	19 84
Churches to Association at Lystra.....	45 35
Antioch	2 00

Union Meeting at Chapel Hill		$ 7 77
Union Meeting at Trades Hill		48 70
Union Meeting at Hillsboro		16 32
		$175 36
Paid J. H. Vernon	$75 00	
Paid Rev. Wescott	33 00	
Paid Rev. Harrell	49 80	
		$157 80
Balance on hand in September, 1875		$ 17 55

E. H. WILSON, TREASURER.

Which report was adopted.

Committee to report delegates to the Baptist State Convention, reported the following brethren as delegates: W. A. Albright, James A. Graham, John Cheek, Wm. G. Quackenbush, A. P. Stroud, Elder J. C. Wilson, James Goodwin, Elder W. B. Harrell, E. C. Riggsbee, R. A. Patterson, H. D. Mason, W. T. Patterson, Elder G. P. Moore, John Jordan, Elder J. H. Vernon, Elder J. P. Mason, Elder M. S. Ferrell, A. J. Carrol, J. C. Strayhorn and H. M. C. Stroud.

Report adopted.

Moved that an Executive Board for next year be appointed. The Board of last year, except Elder G. W. Purefoy, who asked to be excused on account of ill health, was continued, Rev. A. F. Redd being substituted for Elder Purefoy. The Board for the ensuing year is as follows: James P. Mason, A. F. Redd, W. T. Patterson, E. H. Wilson and J. R. Hutchins.

Committee on Church Letters reported:

Your Committee on Church Letters beg leave to report, that according to statement of Church Letters there has been an increase during the past Associational year of 99 members. And contributions for the different objects of the Convention are as follows: Home Missions, $83.17; Foreign Missions, $69.37; Education, $34.65; Church Extension, $10.00.

It is with deep regret that we find six Churches destitute of Sunday Schools. Respectfully submitted,

C. R. SCOTT, CHAIRMAN.

Report adopted.

Committee appointed last year to select a beneficiary reported nothing done. On motion, Committee discharged and a new one appointed, (location, Chapel Hill,) consisting of Brethren G. W. Purefoy, John R. Hutchins, J. H. Vernon, J. L. Marcom, J. P. Mason, A. F. Redd, E. H. Wilson, R. A. Patterson, George P. Moore, W. B. Harrell and M. S. Ferrell, three of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In addition to the selecting of a beneficiary for this Association, they are to have charge of all moneys raised by the Association for the purpose of education.

Committee on Prayer and Prayer Meetings reported:

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report on Prayer and Prayer Meetings:

This is one of the great privileges of the Church, and also a duty of the Church; and for the encouragement of the same, God, in His Word, furnishes us with abundant proof; and we, your Committee, recommend to the Pastors to request this of the Churches of their charge—that the Church keep up regular prayer-meetings, and endeavor to call out the gifts in the Church, both in singing, prayer and exhortation.

G. P. MOORE, CHAIRMAN.

The report of the Historian was adopted and ordered to be recorded in the Book of Records of the Association, and Bro. James A. Graham continued as historian for the next year.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed $10 for his services, the balance of the Association fund ($28) to be spent for printing Minutes, and they distributed among the Churches in proportion to amounts sent up for that purpose.

Ordered, that the collection on Sabbath be equally distributed to three objects: State Missions, Foreign Missions and Sunday Schools.

On motion,

Resolved, That each Pastor in this Association take up a collection in each of their Churches for the special aid of the Education Board of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention before the meeting of the Convention on the 11th of November next.

Adjourned to time and place of next meeting. Prayer by Elder A. F. Redd.

JOHN C. WILSON, MODERATOR.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk.*

SABBATH.

At 11 o'clock, A. M., Elder C. T. Bailey preached to a large assembly, from Hebrews xi : 24, 25 : "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharoah's daughter, choosing rather to suffer afflictions with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasure of sin for a season." After which a collection was taken up amounting to $23.00.

At 2 o'clock, P. M., Elder W. B. Harrell preached from Titus ii : 11–13.

Thus ended the Sixth Annual Session of the Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

H. M. C. STROUD, CLERK.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

H. M. C. STROUD, TREASURER,

In Account with the Mt. Zion Association.

1875.	DR.				
Sept. 26.	To cash received of Committee on Finance.....	$109	30		
	" " Collection on Sabbath.....	23	00		
				$132	30
	CR.				
	By cash paid Treasurer of Executive Board... ..	$ 22	50		
	" " " Education Fund.....	37	10		
	" " J. G. Williams for Foreign Missions...	19	36		
	" " " State Missions.....	7	67		
	" " " Sunday School Board..	7	67		
	" " Clerk's salary.....	10	00		
	" " For printing Minutes..... ..	28	00		
				$132	30

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICES.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismiss'd by Letter	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Contributions sent up. Home Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Association Fund.
Antioch,.....	J. H. Vernon,..	Chapel Hill,.	W. M. Stroud,.	Chapel Hill,.	...	..	1	8	1	2	109	$ 2 00	$...	$.....	$10 00	$ 2 50
Bethel,.....	J. P. Mason,...	Chapel Hill,.	S. C. Durham,.	Chapel Hill,.	14	1	2	4	..	1	110	.....	....	.....	.....	2 00
Berea,.....	.....	.....	W. C. Mason,..	Durham,....	1	2	..	2	1	..	46	.....	....	.....	.. ..	1 50
Cane Creek,...	J. P. Mason,...	Chapel Hill,.	D. M. Sykes,...	Rock Spring	...	..	..	1	2	2	264	.....	....	.....	... ..	3 00
Chapel Hill,...	.....	.....	J. R. Hutchins,	Chapel Hill,.	...	4	1	6	2	3	68	.....	....	.....	... ..	2 00
Graham,.....	W. B. Harrell,.	Durham,....	J. A. Graham,.	Graham.. ..	11	1	..	..	..	..	19	.....	....	.....	10 00	1 00
Hillsboro',...	... .	... .	J. M. Blackwood	Hillsboro'.,..	5	4	..	5	1	..	42	2 85	....	2 00	10 00	1 50
Lystra,.....	J. P. Mason,....	Chapel Hill,.	Y. A. Oldham,.	Chapel Hill,.	31	1	3	1	..	2	145	4 95	...	.....	... ..	2 00
Mt. Carmel,...	R. A. Patterson,	Oaks,.....	M. Cheek,.....	Chapel Hill..	15	5	1	11	2	..	79	.....	.. .	.....	7 15	2 00
Mt. Pisgah,....	J. P. Mason,...	Chapel Hill,.	J. M. Beams,...	Green Level,	26	12	1	5	4	2	279	.....	..	.....	.....	4 00
Mt. Moriah,...	....	.....	W. T. Patterson	Chapel Hill,.	6	3	..	1	1	2	90	.....	...	.....	... ..	2 00
Mt. Gilead,....	J. C. Wilson,...	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Hackney,	Grove,....	13	..	..	1	..	1	110	.....	...	.....	.....	2 00
Mt. Hermon,..	A. D. Blackwood	Apex, ...	A. C. Hunter,..	Hillsboro',.	7	..	..	2	4	1	113	.....	...	.....	.....	2 00
Olives' Chapel,	J. C. Wilson,...	Merry Oaks,	D. T. Johnson,.	New Hill,...	...	1	..	12	2	5	187	.....	....	.....	.....	3 50
Pleasant Grove	G. P. Moore,...	Pittsboro',..	L. P. Council,..	Grove,.....	13	3	..	..	..	..	65	3 75	....	.....	.....	2 00
Rose of Sharon,	A. F. Redd,....	Chapel Hill,.	J. L. Markham,	Durham,....	...	15	..	5	..	2	186	7 25	....	7 25	.....	3 00
Trades' Hill,..	J. H. Hollemon,	Apex, ...	R. D. Hackney,	Merry Oaks,	4	1	..	1	1	..	58	2 60	....	75	.....	2 00
					146	53	9	65	21	23	1970	$23 40	$	$10 00	$37 15	$28 00

Total membership last year 1,891. Net gain this year 99. Taking report last year as correct, add gain this year, total should be 1,990.

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H. M. C. Stroud, Clerk, Saxapahaw, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	North	Carolina.
James P. Mason,	" "	"	"
John C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	"	"
Matthew S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	"	"
Samuel Baldwin,	Snipe's Store,	"	"
Jessee Howell,	Green Level,	"	"
T. Boland,	" "	"	"
Richard A. Patterson,	Oaks,	"	"
George P. Moore,	Pittsboro,	"	"
W. B. Harrell,	Hillsboro,	"	"
J. H. Vernon,	Cedar Grove,	"	"
C. Durham,	Durham,	"	"
A. C. Dixon,	Chapel Hill,	"	"
J. H. Freeman,	Durham,	"	"

PROCEEDINGS.

MT. HERMON CHURCH, ORANGE CO., N. C.,
Thursday, September 21st, 1876.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association held its Seventh Annual meeting with the Church at Mt. Hermon, Orange County, N. C., commencing on Thursday the 21st day of September, 1876.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. H. Vernon, from Psalm 147; part of 20th verse:

"He hath not dealt so with any nation."

The congregation was dismissed for one hour.

THURSDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

Association met. Religious exercises and prayer.

Elders C. Durham and W. B. Harrell, requested to act as Reading Clerks.

The churches were then called and their letters read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—Alvis Durham, D. M. Durham, Thos. W. Patterson and Weldon M. Stroud.

Bethel—Ruffin Andrews and W. H. Lloyd.

Berea—W. C. Mason, L. W. Leigh, W. A. Barbee and Jas. W. Vickers.

Cane Creek—Wm. Cheek, John E. Cates, D. M. Sykes and A. P. Cates.

Chapel Hill—H. P. Smith and G. W. Purefoy, Jr.

Graham—R. A. Noel.

Hillsboro—Berry M. Andrews, John Jordan, John Cheek and John M. Blackwood.

Lystra—P. M. Pearson, J. C. Blake, W. C. Cole and Thos. S. Cole.

Mt. Carmel—M. B. Merritt and J. M. Cheek, Jr.

Mt. Pisgah—H. D. Mason and J. W. Beavers.

Mt. Moriah—Wm. Couch, Alex. Maddry, R. P. Strayhorn and W. T. Patterson.

Mt. Gilead—J. Q. Bryant.

Mt. Hermon—James McCurdy, J. Neal and J. Christian.

Olive's Chapel—W. S. Olive.

Pleasant Grove—L. H. Harward, W. F. Mills and Sidney Eubanks.

Rose of Sharon—R. T. Howerton, Thos. J. Riggsbee, W. Y. Phipps and Simpson Browning.

Trades' Hill—Alfred Johnson.

Mar's Hill—Wm. Ward, John Riley and N. W. Jordan.

Belvin—Mark Durham and H. H. Belvin.

Ministers present, members of this Association, to-wit: J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason, R. A. Patterson, G. P. Moore, J. H. Vernon, W. B. Harrell, C. Durham, A. C. Dixon, J. H. Freeman, G. W. Purefoy.

The Association proceeded to the election of a Moderator by appointing Elder J. H. Vernon and Bro. John Jordan tellers, who reported Elder J. C. Wilson elected.

The Association being organized, enquiry was made whether there was any church or churches wishing to unite with this body.

A letter from the Church at Mar's Hill, Orange County, N. C., formerly a member of Beulah Association, was read, asking to be received as a member.

On motion the said church was received and the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegates as enrolled.

Also, a letter from the Belvin Church in Orange County, N. C., recently constituted, was presented and read, and on motion was received a member of this Association, and the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegates as enrolled.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us: Elder R. H. Griffith, Moderator of the South Yadkin Association, and representing the Theological Seminary, Greenville, S. C., Elder J. D. Hufham, Editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, and

Elder J. K. Howell, Sunday School Missionary, accepted the invitation and seats with us.

Brethren J. P. Mason, C. Durham and J. H. Vernon were appointed a committee of arrangements.

The Committee of Arrangements reported the following Order of Business:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9:30 o'clock, A. M. Take recess from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M.
2nd. Call roll of delegates.
3rd. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Friday morning.
5th. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6th. Call for queries.
7th. Appoint the following Committees:
On Finance.
On Education.
On Periodicals.
On Sunday Schools.
On State Missions.
On Foreign Missions.
On Time and Place and stated service of next meeting.
8th. Call for Reports of Correspondents.
9th. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.
10th. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
11th. Call for Reports.
12th. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of the Mt. Hermon Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the session of this Association; except the appointments already made.

The following Committees were announced by the Moderator:

On Finance—Bros. Alvis Durham, John W. Beavers and John Jordan.
On Education—Elders R. H. Griffith, R. A. Patterson and W. C. Cole.
On Periodicals—Elders J. D. Hufham, A. C. Dixon and John Cheek.
On Sunday Schools—Elders J. K. Howell, R. A. Patterson and W. H. Lloyd.

On State Missions—Elder W. B. Harrell, Bros. J. W. Beavers and D. M. Sykes.

On Foreign Missions—Elders C. Durham, J. H. Vernon and Bro. H. D. Mason.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder W. B. Harrell.

FRIDAY, 9½ o'clock A. M., Sept. 22d, 1876.

Association met. Religious exercises and prayer by Elder J. C. Wilson, Moderator.

Roll called.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Constitution and Rules of Order read.

Correspondents to Sister Associations reported, as follows:

Elder J. H. Vernon attended the Beulah.

Elders George P. Moore, R. A. Patterson and J. H. Vernon attended the Sandy Creek.

Elder J. C. Wilson attended the Raleigh.

Central and Flat River Associations were not attended by the correspondents appointed.

Appointed Correspondents to Sister Associations, as follows:

To Beulah—Elders W. B. Harrell, J. H. Vernon and J. C. Wilson, and Brethren John Cheek and Jas. A. Graham.

To Sandy Creek—Elder G. P. Moore and Bro. J. W. Hackney.

To Raleigh—Elders J. C. Wilson, M. S. Ferrell and Bro. H. D. Mason.

To Central—Elder C. Durham and Bro. Nash Cheek.

To Flat River—Elders C. Durham and J. H. Vernon.

Appointed Brethen J. H. Vernon, W. B. Harrell and R. A. Patterson, a Committee to Report Delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats: Bro. F. P. Hobgood, of the Raleigh Female Seminary, and as a correspondent of the Central Association, accepted the invitation.

Resolution by Elder C. Durham, requesting the President of the last session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention to postpone the meeting of that body from the 9th to the 22d day of November next, and that he give notice through the *Biblical Recorder* of the change:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Association that the next session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention ought to be postponed two weeks, and we recommend that the President of the last session of that body, Bro. John Kerr, and Bro. J. D. Hufham, President of the State Mission Board, give notice through the *Biblical Recorder* that such will be done —the Convention to meet on the 22d of November next.

On motion, to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M., be the hour for the Report on Education.

On motion, 1 o'clock P. M., to-day, be allowed for Elder Griffith to present the claims of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

A letter of dismission from the Flat River Association, and petition of membership in this body, was presented from the Church at Sandy Level, Wake County, N. C. On motion, the said church was received into fellowship with this Association, and her delegates enrolled as members, to wit: S. D. Markham and W. E. Glenn.

Resolved, That in our judgment the administration of the ordinances of the Lord's house are entrusted to the same hands; and that we counsel the churches not to receive as valid any immersion which has not been administered by one who might also administer for them the ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

Remarks by Elders C. Durham, R. H. Griffith, J. D. Hufham, G. P. Moore, W. B. Harrell and others, which remarks were interesting and edifying to all the Brethren. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Association called off for one hour.

FRIDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

Association resumed business.

On motion, the following resolution, approving the purpose to raise a sufficient endowment for the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was presented:

Resolved, That we approve of the purpose to raise a sufficient, permanent endowment for the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and commend to the liberality of our brethren the effort to raise in our State the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars as North Carolina's quota of that endowment.

Remarks by Elders R. H. Griffith, J. D. Hufham, C. Durham, A. C. Dixon and others. Resolution adopted.

Committee on Time and Place, &c., of next session of this body, reported:

Olives' Chapel as the place, and Tuesday before the first Sabbath in September, 1877, as the time. Elder R. A Patterson, to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder C. Durham to preach the Missionary Sermon.

Committee on Periodicals, reported:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Every Baptist ought to take regularly some religious paper. The *Biblical Recorder* we believe to be in the main, sound in doctrine, bold in the defence of Baptist principles and worthy of the support of every Baptist in the State. As an agent for disseminating truth, and advancing the cause of missions and education, it cannot be overestimated. We therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That the pastors in this Association be requested to appoint committees in each of their churches, whose duty it shall be to see that every family in those churches take the *Recorder*, and report progress the next meeting of the Association.

Kind Words, published at Macon, Ga., is an attractive and valuable paper, and ought to be adopted by all our Sunday Schools.

A. C. DIXON,
J. D. HUFHAM,
JOHN CHEEK,
Committee.

Pending a motion to adopt, the report was made special order of business for 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder J. H. Vernon.

SATURDAY, 9½ o'clock A. M., Sept. 23d, 1876.

Association met. Religious services by Elder J. K. Howell.

Roll called, and on motion, the names of delegates that did not attend were stricken from the list.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

According to arrangements yesterday, the report on Periodicals was taken up.

Remarks by Elder W. B. Harrell, Bro. J. Jordan, Elders Griffith, C. Durham and J. D. Hufham.

Report adopted as above.

The letter from Chapel Hill Church was presented and her delegates enrolled.

Committee submitted the following report on Education:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Youth is the season to secure an education, since in youth the mind more readily receives and more permanently retains impressions. It is then that the elements are formed which compose the subsequent character and decide the future life of the individual. In youth one has time to devote to study which cannot be enjoyed in the cares and business of mature years. If the young have the advantages of an education they must be furnished by parents. Upon them devolves the responsibility of deciding the character and culture of those who are to take their places in the next generation. Education is not only a means of usefulness but a source of pleasure, and the parent is unfaithful to his trust who fails to give to his children the best possible advantages within his means for an education. And it is a duty of most solemn import that he should see to it that these advantages should not be without, or independent of such religious influences as are in accord with Scripture truths.

Baptists must educate their children, and they must do it in their own

schools and under Baptist teachers. For young men, Wake Forest, and for young ladies, the Raleigh Baptist Female Seminary, furnish opportunities for intellectual culture under sound and safe religious influences.

We would call the attention of our brethren and commend to their liberality the support of our beneficiaries at Wake Forest.

R. H. GRIFFITH, *Chairman.*

On motion to adopt, remarks by Elders Griffith, Prof. Hobgood, Elders J. P. Mason, J. D. Hufham and C. Durham. A collection was taken up for education amounting to $9.25 in money; Elder G. W. Purefoy subscribed one barrel of flour, and Bro. Mark Durham one sack flour.

On motion the money in hands of Treasurer, $37.10, sent up at our last session, for a beneficiary, was ordered to be paid to the Educationai Board at Wake Forest College.

Report adopted.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God in his word has given us ten commands. These are found in the Old Testament. Jesus Christ gave us two, viz: "Love one another," and "Preach the Gospel to every creature." To the extent of our ability and opportunities we are under the same obligations to obey the law as the first or any of the intermediate ones. No one who reads the New Testament ought to doubt our obligations to send the Gospel to all the world. No one who knows the success of Foreign Missions for the last half century can doubt God's willingness to bless our efforts in giving the Gospel to the heathen. God is now rapidly fulfilling His promise to His Son, "Ask of Me and I will give Thee the heathen for Thy inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possessions." Our fathers prayed that the Lord would open the nations to the Gospel of Christ. Those prayers have been answered. China is opened, India is largely christianized, Japan is ready for the gospel, the Isles of the Sea know much of the redeeming grace, benighted Africa is feeling after Jesus, South America is calling for the word, and in the sin cursed and priest riden land of Italy, yea, in the city of Rome, our brethren are preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ with much success. We live in a wonderful age. Every new development of providence seems to call louder and more plainly to us to redouble our efforts to give the gospel to all the world. We are not our own. The heathen without the gospel will be lost. The knowledge that we shall meet them at the

judgment should arouse us from our lethargy and wake us from our inactivity. The knowledge that we are discharging our duty, and that Jesus will bless us, should stimulate us to greater exertions to give them the Gospel of Christ.

C. DURHAM, *Chairman.*

On motion, called off one hour for refreshments.

SATURDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

Association called to order by Moderator.

A motion that no brother speak more than ten minutes was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was taken up, and discussed by Elders C. Durham, Griffith and J. D. Hufham.

A collection was taken up for Foreign Missions amounting to $7.30.

In adopting the report the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the churches of this Association be requested to report through their letters the number of copies of the *Biblical Recorder* taken by their members and congregation, and the full amount, by items, of the contributions of the churches for any and for every object, and that the same be published in the minutes.

The Committee reported the following on State Missions, with a Memorial from the Graham Church:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions report as follows:

We believe that unto the church, the Lord Jesus has committed the great work of spreading the "Gospel of the Kingdom" among men, and that our imperative duty is, *first*, to see to it. that the destitute places of our own State shall have the benefit of the light of Bible truth. *Salvation is by faith*, but how can they *believe* except they *hear*, and how shall they *hear* without *a preacher?* Therefore, we offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That as Baptists, we will, according to the Scriptures, contribute of our means as God hath prospered us to sustain the work of State Missions, now under the charge of our own State Board.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. HARRELL, *Chairman.*

MEMORIAL OF THE GRAHAM BAPTIST CHURCH.

To the Mount Zion Association:

Dear Brethren :—We know that begging is a thankless task and an odious profession, therefore we dislike very much to come before you as beggars. We hope, however, that you fully realize the true and trite saying, that "he that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord" Believing that, we have no hesitation in begging of you. In order that you may fully understand for what we are begging, it may be necessary to give you a succinct statement of what we are doing and what we have done:

In January, 1874, you sent to us, upon the application of one of the two Baptists then residing in this town, Rev. W. T. Farrow, as a Missionary, to preach twice a month. By the kindness and courtesy of Rev. A. Currie, Pastor of the Presbyterian church in this place, we were allowed the use of his church by appointing our meetings at times when he was absent. After a short time we thought it best to worship in the Court House, and after that we obtained permission from the county authorities to use a little free school house in the town, where we held our meetings for a while.

On the 20th day of June, 1874, a presbytery met and organized us into a regular Baptist Church. We determined to have a meeting of days in September, 1874, in the Christian Church, which had been very kindly offered to us by Rev. Mr. Long, the pastor; but just before the beginning of the meeting, our Heavenly Father saw fit, in his wisdom, to strike with paralysis our pastor, your missionary—so that the meeting was never held. Believing that the best thing we could do was to build a house of our own in which to worship, we begged from the Commissioners of the County a vacant lot in the town on which to build a house, and went to work at once to see what amonnt we could raise. Owing to Bro. Farrow's illness we had no preaching till about February, 1875, when you very kindly sent Bro. S. W. Wescott to preach for us. We then rented the "Good Templars' Hall" for our services. Bro. Wescott soon gained a high reputation—not only among the Christians, but among the ungodly of this place—and bid fair to do well and render much aid to God's cause in this town; but our Heavenly Father called him to rest above on the 11th day of April, 1875, so we were again left as a flock without a shepherd.

In May, 1875, you sent to us Rev. W. B. Harrell who has been preaching

for us ever since. Finding that we were not forgotten, we went to work with renewed zeal to build our house and work for the cause.

Some of you may recollect that at the last meeting of the Association, it was determined, and so announced in the meetings of the Association, that the house of worship for the Graham Church should be built by the Association and the church aided, even if other objects had to be laid aside for the present, and that this should be done during the ensuing year.

This gave us new ardor and put us to work with renewed vigor. Getting promises of all the money we could and collecting as fast as we were able, we thought in the spring of 1876 that we might begin work and, therefore, ordered the lumber for our building.

Finding that we could exchange our lot for a more eligible one by paying a little advance we did so, and on June 10th, 1876, the prettiest lot in town —on main street—being for sale at auction, we bought that at what we consider a low price, viz : $225. As soon as the lumber came we began work on the lot, and now have a house partially finished. Some of those who have promised have not paid, and others on whom we relied have neither promised nor paid, though fully able to do both.

We have the frame of our house up, shingled and weatherboarded. In order to accomplish this we have had to go in debt to the amount of $300.

This has been assumed by two of our members, viz : Col. W. A. Albright and Capt. Jas. A. Graham ; or rather, they have paid out of their own pockets the amounts, trusting to be reimbursed. With one exception, none of our members have property above exemptions, and we cannot, therefore, carry much debt and at the same time make progress. We are all poor.

Now will the Association compel us to carry this load of debt, when it was incurred with the full expectation that we were to be aided with all that was needful, outside of what we could raise here. We have the frame of a beautiful little church, an ornament not only to the town, but to the denomination in the State.

Shall we use it ? We certainly cannot until we get the money to pay off this $300 of debt, and to put in the benches and the pulpit. As to the interior finish—ceiling, plastering, &c.—we can put that off till some future time when money is more plenty.

We are now compelled to worship in an upper room over a store, approachable only by a back stairway. Until lately a part of the lower story of this store-house was used as a liquor warehouse, and now there is a grog shop within twenty feet of our room, along the principle way of approach.

Cannot the Association help us out of this difficulty ? Forty cents from each member of this Association would enable us to make a good house where we could worship God in our own way. Less than that will enable us to complete the house we have started. Some have given much more than this sum, while others have given nothing at all.

Believing that the Association is determined to, and will, aid us, we ap-

peal to them for help. It may seem foolish to say that if we had a decent house of worship our membership would increase, but such is the fact. Several have said that as soon as we were fully established they would get their letters and join us. In many places the Baptists are looked upon as a low, poor and degraded sect. We wish to give them the standing here that they deserve, being the principal and most numerous denomination in the State.

If we have not had so many Presidents, Governors, Legislators, lawyers, &c., as other denominations, it is simply because instead of seeking the applause of the world and trying to get into our membership the *elite* of the community, we follow the Scriptural injunction and go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that our Master's table may be full, believing that true piety does not seek the pomp and show of the world any more than it does the long and sorrowful face of the Pharisee. But to return to our subject: we are begging and begging for money, and that ready money, to help us out of present difficulties.

Shall it be said that we appeal to the Baptists in vain. Brethren, help us. We are in need. "Cast your bread upon the waters and it shall return unto you after many days." In years to come we may be able to help others who ask aid as we do now.

Now, Brethren, we leave the matter with you. You can help us. Will you do it? As we stated, we do not like to beg, but we are compelled to do so. Cannot you take us in hand. free us from debt and give us a good start? We have to-day received a dun for $150 of our indebtedness, and have not a cent to pay it with. Help us.

By order of the Graham Baptist Church:

JAS. A. GRAHAM, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders Patterson, Hufham and others.

The report with the memorial was adopted.

On motion, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Rev. G. W. Purefoy has recently published a denominational tree or map, showing at one view the origin, date and descent of the different religious denominations and by whom founded; therefore,

Resolved, That our thanks are due Bro. Purefoy for the patience, industry and liberality by which he has given this instructive chart to the denomination.

Resolved, That we commend this chart to our church members and advise them to purchase it.

The Treasurer of the Executive Board reported as follows, which was adopted :

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Treasurer of the Executive Board submits the following report:

1875.		
	Balance on hand September, 1875	$ 17 55
	H. M. C. Stroud, collection at Association, Sunday	22 50
Oct.	Union Meeting at Mt. Carmel	31 20
Dec.	Cane Creek per Rev. Mason	5 00
1876.		
Jan.	Union meeting at Olive Chapel	28 00
"	Lystra, per Rev. Mason	3 10
"	Cane Creek, per Rev. Mason	1 55
"	Bethel, " "	1 20
"	Hillsboro, per J. Blackwood	1 79
Feb.	Bethel, per Rev. Mason	1 25
"	Cane Creek, per Rev. Mason	2 30
Mar.	Lystra, " "	1 50
"	Mt. Moriah, " "	2 25
Aug.	Chapel Hill, " "	7 60
		$126 79
	Brought to Association	28 72
		$155 51

1875.				
Sept.	Paid Rev. Harrell at Association		$ 22 50	
Dec.	" " "		40 00	
"	" " "		5 00	
1876.				
Jan.	" " "	by Vernon	28 00	
"	" " "		2 00	
"	" " "	by Blackwood	1 79	
"	" " "		3 25	
May	" " "		5 00	
Aug.	" " "	by Blackwood	2 50	
	" " "	by Rev. Mason	10 47	
				$120 51
	On hand			$ 35 00

E. H. WILSON, *Treasurer.*

September 13th, 1876.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported the following :

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We are glad to report that all the churches in the Association have

Schools but two ; and that there has been an increased interest in the Sunday-school work since the last meeting of the Association, induced mainly through Sunday-school Institutes held in different parts of the Association. Much has been done, but much remains to be done. 1st. The schools ought to continue all the year. 2d. The doctrines and ordinances of the church ought to be more forcibly and clearly taught ; especially the doctrine of Giving, by which we learn self-denial, humility and our indebtedness to God for all our blessings. 3d. All (the young and the old) ought to be in the Sunday-school. It is as much the duty of all to attend the Sunday-school as it is to attend the church.

Respectfully submitted.

J. K. HOWELL,
R. A. PATTERSON,
W. H. LLOYD,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, discussion was deferred till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock, in Sunday School Mass Meeting.

Committee on Finance reported as follows :

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received from the Churches on			Foreign Missions,	$ 58 85
"	"	"	Home Missions,	28 72
"	"	"	Sunday Schools,	4 57
"	"	"	Association Fund,	45 05
By cash paid Treasurer,				$ 97 78

ALVIS DURHAM, *Chairman.*

The Committee to appoint delegates to the Baptist State Convention reported the following :

Elders G. W. Purefoy, John C. Wilson, Matthew S. Ferrell, S, Baldwin, Jas. P. Mason, Jesse Howell, T. Boland, R. A. Patterson, G. P. Moore, W. B. Harrell, J. H. Vernon, C. Durham, A. C. Dixon and J. H. Freeman; and Brethren W. A. Albright, D. M. Sykes, Thos. W Patterson, H. W. Lloyd, John Cheek, P. H. Smith, A. C. Strayhorn, Mark Durham, W. T. Patterson, H. A. Reams, A. J. McDade, J. M. Cheek, Jr., W. C. Cole, J. Q. Bryant, Kelly Mitchell, L. H. Harward, J. H. Olive, T. W. Womble, Nash Cheek and H. M. C. Stroud.

On motion, the Treasurer is directed to appropriate the moneys that may be collected on to-morrow, to the Foreign Mission Fund.

On motion, the Association was divided into four sections, as follows:

FIRST SECTION.	SECOND SECTION.	THIRD SECTION.	FOURTH SECTION.
Mt. Pisgah,	Antioch,	Cane Creek ,	Mt. Hermon,
Olives' Chapel,	Bethel,	Graham,	Rose of Sharon,
Pleasant Grove,	Lystra,	Hillsboro',	Belvin,
Trades' Hill,	Mt. Carmel,	Mars Hill,	Sandy Level,
Mt. Gillead,	Chapel Hill,	Mt. Moriah,	Berea.

Resolved, That the Association meet in the first section in 1877, and each year thereafter take the sections in their order.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to pay himself $10 for his services, and have the minutes printed for the balance of the Association Fund, and distribute to the churches in proportion to amount sent up by each.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Prayer by Elder Griffith. Benediction by the Moderator.

So closed the Seventh Session of the Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

J. C. WILSON, MODERATOR.

H. M. C. STROUD, *Clerk*.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF ASSOCIATION.

H. M. C. STROUD, Treasurer,

In Account with MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

1876.	DR.		
Sept. 24.	To cash on hand for Education,	$ 37 10	
	" " received from Finance Committee,	97 78	
	" " collection for Education, Saturday 23rd,	9 25	
	" " " " Foreign Missions, Saturday, 23d,	7 30	
	" " " " Sunday School Missions,	5 35	
	" " " " Foreign Missions on the Sabbath,	14 15	
			$ 170 93
	CR.		
	By cash paid Treasurer Executive Board,	$ 28 72	
	" " " J. G. Williams, Treas., for F. M.,	40 89	
	" " " " " S. S. M.,	9 92	
	" " " " " Education,	46 35	
	" " " Clerk of Association,	10 00	
	" " " Printing Minutes,	35 05	
			$ 170 93

H. M. C. STROUD, *Treasurer.*

SABBATH MORNING, 9 o'clock, Sept. 24th, 1876.

Held a Sunday School Mass Meeting.

Prayer by Elder J. H. Vernon.

The meeting was addressed as follows:

"On the Importance of Teaching the Children to Give." By Elder J. H. Vernon.

"Duty of All to Attend the Sunday School." By Elder R. A. Patterson.

"Importance of Teaching in the Sunday School to Counteract Error." By Elder G. W. Purefoy.

Elder J. K. Howell addressed the meeting on the "Subject of Sunday School Missions."

A collection was taken up amounting to $5.35.

The meeting was then dismissed, and the congregation repaired to the stand, where Elder J. P. Mason preached to a very large congregation from 2d Cor. 8th chap., 9th verse,

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

After which, a collection was taken up for Foreign Missions, amounting to $14.15.

At one o'clock P. M., Elder J. D. Hufham preached in the house, from the 9th verse of the 2d chapter of Phillipians, "Wherefore God hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name.

At the same hour, Elder J. H. Vernon preached at the stand in the grove.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who, by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each church shall not exceed four.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, ex-communicated, and deceased during the preceding year, also the total number in fellowship, and the amount of funds sent up to the Association, and for what objects sent, together with Sunday School statistics.

ART. 5. The members thus chosen and convened, shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts this Association shall recognize Christ as the only Law Giver in Zion, and that every individual Church is an independent body, with executive, but no legislative power.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association, when requested, by aggrieved churches to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application, they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual application will not be entertained.

ART. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists, as the true teachings thereof.

ART. 9. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, the former to be elected annually by ballot, the latter to be also elected by ballot, but to hold his office during the pleasure of the Association.

ART. 10. The Clerk shall act as Treasurer and disburse the funds as directed by the Association. He shall also annually transcribe the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose.

ART. 11. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received, and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given, that they are truly of our faith and order.

ART. 12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made, at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

RULES OF ORDER.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer by the Moderator, or by some brother at his request.

ART. 2. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over each day, and the proceedings of the previous day read over before proceeding to other business.

ART. 3. All questions before the Association shall be decided by the living voice, except a division is called for, then by rising.

ART. 4. No member shall speak more than twice, on any subject, without permission from the Moderator.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of members to obtain permission before leaving the Association.

ART. 6. While a brother is speaking it shall be deemed a breach of order for any member to pass between the speaker and Moderator, or to engage in conversation, or in any way to interfere with the speaker.

ART. 7. Every member must arise and address the Moderator and confine himself strictly to the subject before the body, use appropriate language, address no member by any other appellation except that of brother, and cast no reflection on any member.

ART. 8. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, by calling some member temporarily to the Chair, and when requisite give the casting vote.

ART. 9. Written queries, from the churches or from members, and resolutions, must be twice read; and signed by the mover before they are received for discussion.

ART. 10. No motion without a second shall be received. The mover may withdraw his motion if it is done before it is voted upon.

ART. 11. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

ART. 12. When a motion has been carried it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority to move for the reconsideration on the same day.

ART. 13. All Committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

ART. 14. The Clerk shall make out a list of the members appointed upon each Committee, stating the subject to be reported upon, and hand it to the chairman as early as practicable.

ART. 15. Should any member violate any of the preceding rules of order it shall be the duty of the Moderator to call him to order. If he fail to do so any member of the body shall have the same privilege.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Sunday Schools.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	M. S. Ferrell,	Weldon M. Stroud,	...	4	3	12	1	1	107	$....	$....	....	$....	$....	$2 50
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	S. C. Durham,	23	11	5	5	3	3	142	....	....	....	....	....	2 00
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell,	George C. Pope,	12	2	..	..	..	1	62	....	....	....	....	....	1 50
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	D. M. Sykes,	43	2	2	8	..	1	302	....	....	....	....	....	4 00
Chapel Hill,	A. C. Dixon,	A. J. McLaw,	49	5	..	3	1	2	115	....	....	....	....	....	2 00
Belvin,	R. A. Patterson,	J. S. Durham,	...	6	..	3	..	..	21	....	....	....	....	..	1 00
Graham	W. B. Harrell,	Jas. A. Graham,	...	..	..	..	..	..	19	....	2 92	..	1 52	....	1 00
Hillsboro',	W. B. Harrell,	J. M. Blackwood,	...	6	..	3	..	..	45	2 57	5 27	...	6 40	2 50	1 50
Lystra,	J P. Mason,	Y. A. Oldham,	6	8	3	9	..	1	152	....	....	....	4 10	....	3 00
Mt. Carmel,	R. A. Patterson,	J. M Cheek,	33	12	1	2	3	2	116	....	6 45	....	6 40	....	3 00
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	J. M. Beavers,	...	1	1	17	..	1	263	....	....	....	....	....	4 00
Mt. Moriah,	J. P. Mason	W. T. Patterson,	...	5	.	7	3	3	82	....	....	....	....	....	2 50
Mt. Gillead,	J. C. Wilson	J. W. Hackney,	...	..	..	3	2	1	101	2 00	2 00	....	....	....	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	J. H. Freeman,	A. C. Hunter	...	..	..	..	..	1	112	....	....	....	....	....	2 00
Mars Hill,	J. H. Vernon,	Jesse Miller	...	1	..	..	..	..	69	....	....	....	2 00	....	1 50
Olives' Chapel,	Johnston Olive,	H. J. Barker	1	3	1	9	..	2	190	....	1 60	....	....	....	3 00
Pleasant Grove,	G. P. Moore,	R. C. Council,	24	23	..	1	1	1	120	....	1 20	....	1 20	1 20	2 50
Rose of Sharon,	C. Durham,	J. L. Markham,	10	33	1	20	3	3	204	....	....	....	7 10	....	3 55
Sandy Level,	Jesse Howell,	S. D. Markham,	4	...	..	..	..	..	39	....	....	....	....	....	1 00
Trades' Hill,	J. H. Holleman,	R. D. Hackney,	3	...	..	5	..	..	60	....	....	....	....	....	1 50
			208	122	17	107	17	23	2321	$4 57	$19 44		$28 72	$3 70	$45 05

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C. R. Scott, Clerk, Green Level, N. C.

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George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	North	Carolina.
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PROCEEDINGS.

OLIVE'S CHAPEL, Wake Co., N. C.,
Tuesday, August 28th, 1877.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association held its Eighth Annual meeting with the church at Olive's Chapel, Wake County, N. C., commencing on Tuesday the 28th day of August, 1877.

Elder C. Durham preached the Introductory Sermon from John 8th chapter and parts 46th and 32nd verses: "And if I say the truth why do ye not believe me?" "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

The congregation was dismissed for 40 minutes.

TUESDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

Association re-assembled.

Religious exercises and prayer, Elder W. B. Harrell leading.

Elders W. B. Harrell and A. C. Dixon requested to act as Reading Clerks.

The Churches were then called, and their letters read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—D. M. Durham, A. P. Stroud and W. H. Copeland.
Bethel—Thomas Booker, R. P. Poe, Lycurgus B. Loyd and O. P. Cates.
Berea—W. C. Mason and L. M. Hurst.
Cane Creek—Wm. Cheek, John E. Cates and H. M. Cates.
Chapel Hill—W. G. Weaver, H. P. Smith, Winfield Weaver and Wm. D. Weaver.

Graham.—W. A. Albright and John Underwood.
Hillsboro—Elder W. B. Harrell.
Lystra—Y. A. Oldham, W. T. Sparrow and J. C. Horton.
Mt. Carmel—M. B. Merriott and A. Daniel.
Mt. Pisgah—H. Sears, A. Johnson, C. R. Scott and J. N. Yates.
Mt. Moriah—A. B. Couch.
Mt. Gilead—A. S. Garner, L. M. Hackney, J. W. Hackney and M. Seymore.
Mt. Hermon—Alvis Durham and H. Pickett.
Olive's Chapel—E. Council, Cater Olive, W. S. Jenks and Merrill Olive, Sr.
Pleasant Grove—L. H. Harward, M. T. Horton, R. C. Council and E. H. Holleman.
Durham—T. J. Riggsbee, J. W. Woods and J. C. Anderson.
Arm of the Durham Church.—S. H. Pickett and W. J. Lee.
Sandy Level—W. E. Glenn.
Trade's Hill—Jasper Mitchell, B. M. Poe, Alfred Johnson and Thos. L. Lassiter.
Belvin—Mark Durham.
Mars Hill—Stephen Cates.

Ministers present, members of this Association, to-wit: J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason, W. B. Harrell, C. Durham, A. C. Dixon, Jesse Howell and J. H. Vernon.

The Association proceeded to the election of a Moderator by appointing Elders W. B. Harrell and A. C. Dixon tellers, who reported Elder J. C. Wilson elected.

A letter of resignation was read from H. M. C. Stroud, our former Clerk, and,

On motion, his resignation was accepted.

On motion, the Association proceeded to an election for Clerk, by appointing Elders W. B. Harrell and A. C. Dixon tellers, who reported C. R. Scott elected.

Visiting Brethren were invited to seats with us: Elders M. V. McDuffie, from the Central Association; Elder E. Dodson, from the Marion Board, Agent for Home and Indian Missions; Elder J. B. Richardson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; Elder A. D. Blackwood, and Brethren D. B. Holland, Moderator of the Raleigh Association, Sion Beckwith and J. T. Blackwood, from the

Raleigh Association, accepted the invitation and took seats with us.

On motion, the Association adopted the Order of Business for last year, to-wit:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9:30 o'clock, A. M. Take recess from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M.
2nd. Call roll of delegates.
3rd. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Wednesday morning.
5th. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6th. Call for queries.
7th. Appoint the following Committees:
On Finance.
On Education.
On Periodicals.
On Sunday Schools.
On State Missions.
On Foreign Missions.
On Time and Place and stated service of next meeting.
8th. Call for Reports of Correspondents.
9th. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.
10th. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
11th. Call for Reports.
12th. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of Olive's Chapel Church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the session of this Association, except the appointments already made.

The following Committees were announced by the Moderator, to-wit:

On Finance—Alvis Durham and R. G. Council.

On Education—Elders C. Durham, Brethren Thomas Riggsbee and Y. A. Oldham.

On Periodicals—Elder W. B. Harrell, Bros. A. Garner and H. Sears.

On Sunday Schools.—Elders A. C. Dixon, Jesse Howell and G. P. Moore.

On State Missions.—Elder J. B. Richardson, Bros. J. W. Hackney and Wm. Cheek.

On Foreign Missions.—Elder A. D. Blackwood, Bros. W. C. Mason and Wm. Albright.

On Time, Place and Stated Services of Next Meeting.—Elder W. B. Harrell, Bros. Thomas Booker and A. Daniel.

On Revision of the Constitution.—Elders C. Durham, W. B. Harrell and A. C. Dixon.

On Home and Indian Missions.—Elders E. Dodson, M. V. McDuffie and D. B. Holland.

On motion, adjourned to 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder A. C. Dixon.

WEDNESDAY, 9½ o'clock A. M., Aug. 29th, 1877.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Roll called.

Proceedings of yesterday read and corrected.

Constitution and Rules of Order read.

Visiting Brethren again invited to seats: Elders C. T. Bailey, Editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, J. S. Purefoy, Agent for the Endowment of Wake Forest College, from the Central Association; J. W. F. Rogers, S. W. Mitchell, Johnson Olive and T. Harrison, from the Raleigh Association; and Bros. R. S. Andrews and M. C. Olive, from the Sandy Creek Association, accepted the invitiation.

The Committee submitted the following report on the Revision of the Constitution:

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and died during the past year, the total number in fellowship; and the amount paid as Pastor's salaries, incidental expenses, minute fund, for the poor, State, Foreign and Indian missions, education, Oxford Orphan Asylum, Sabbath Schools. These and all other matters of finance connected with the churches, and the number of copies of the *Biblical Recorder* taken by the churches and these facts shall be published in the minutes.

C. DURHAM, *Chairman.*

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder C. Durham. Report adopted.

On motion, Elder A. C. Dixon was allowed to take up a collection for Graham Church, amounting to $62.00.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported :

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The command of the Master is to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. Heathen nations compose a part of all the world and the inhabitants of these nations are a part of all creation. Therefore the command is to go and preach the Gospel to unchristian and heathen nations. The preaching of the Gospel is the means that God has instituted to save sinners, for faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God, and how can they hear without a preacher and how can they preach except they be sent—sent of God and sent by the churches to proclaim the truth in the hearing of these creatures or they must live in sin and idolatry and go down to everlasting punishment. The truth alone can free them from the dominion of sin and eternal death. For if the truth make them free they shall be free indeed. But who is to preach this truth ? Evidently not the preachers alone but every christian should preach the truth by aiding with their means in supporting missionaries in foreign lands. If any refuse or neglect to do this how can they obey the command of the Master and stand acquitted before God in the judgment.

There is great encouragement to obey this broad command and preach the Gospel to every creature and especially in heathen countries. The labors in Burmah in about fifty years have resulted in twenty-five Baptist Associations with a probable membership of twelve hundred to each Association, making a living membership of thirty thousand where there was not a convert fifty years ago. Other foreign fields have a proportionable result. It is estimated that for every dollar spent on foreign missions there has been three souls converted to one in our country with the same expenditure. With such encouragement let every one renew their diligence in the work and especially would we urge the sisters to put their hands to the work of redeeming their sex from slavery, for the wife among idolatrous nations is regarded a slave and such a misfortune to be a daughter that she is never spoken of as a child.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. D. BLACKWOOD,
W. A. ALBRIGHT,
W. C. MASON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders J. B. Richardson, C. Durham, E. Dodson and Johnson Olive. Report adopted.

Committee on Periodicals reported:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is the duty of our people to keep themselves informed of the progress of God's truth in the earth, and to be alive to the interest of religion and christian labor in every department of our zion; and we know of no better means of ascertaining the things needful to be known and of keeping abreast with the cause of Christ both at home and abroad than is to be found in the columns of the religious newspaper, therefore,

Resolved, That as Baptists we will endeavor to extend the circulation of our own State journal, the *Biblical Recorder* among our brethren as far as possible, both by subscribing for it ourselves and by persuading others to do the same. We would also recommend as an excellent little visitor to the Sunday-schools of our churches *Kind Words*, as being sound in doctrine and worthy of large support.

W. B. HARRELL,
A. S. GARNER,
H. SEARS,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders C. T. Bailey, E. Dodson, J. S. Purefoy and J. B. Richardson.

The Association then adjourned until 1 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 1 o'clock P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Further remarks were submitted by Elder T. Harrison on Periodicals. Report adopted.

Committee on Time and Place, &c., of the next Association, reported:

Bethel Church, Orange County, as the place and Tuesday before the first

Sunday in September 1878, as the time ; Elder A. C. Dixon to preach the introductory and Elder C. Durham the missionary sermon.

On motion, the Association agreed to adjourn to-morrow at 11 o'clock, to hear the Missionary Sermon.

On motion, the Association agreed to adjourn hereafter on Wednesday morning, at 11 o'clock, to hear the Missionary Sermon.

The Committee submitted the following on Education :

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Youth is the season to secure an education since in youth the mind more readily receives and more permanently retains impressions. It is then that the elements are formed which compose the subsequent character and decide the future life of the individual. In youth one has time to devote to study which cannot be enjoyed in the cares and business of mature years. If the young have the advantages of an education they must be furnished by parents. Upon them devolves the responsibility of deciding the character and culture of those who are to take their places in the next generation.

Education is not only a means of usefulness but a source of pleasure. They are unfaithful to their trust who fails to give to their children the best possible advantages within their means for an education. And it is a duty of most solemn import that he should see to it that these advantages should not be without, or independent of such religious influence as are in accordance with Scripture truths. Baptists ought to educate their children and they must do it in their own schools and under Baptist teachers. For young men Wake Forest College, and for young ladies the Raleigh Baptist Female Seminary furnishes opportunities for intellectual culture under sound and safe religious influences.

We would call the attention of the brethren and commend to their liberality the support of our beneficiaries at Wake Forest College.

The Committee submit the following resolutions with their report:

Resolved, 1st, That it is with pleasure we learn that the Trustees of Wake Forest College propose to raise five Professorships of $20,000 each in this State.

Resolved, 2*nd*, That we recommend that the churches of this Association unite with the Tar River, Flat River and Beulah Associations in raising $20,000 for a Professorship.

Resolved, 3*rd*, That we recommend that the brethren of the Mt. Zion Association raise five thousand dollars as our part of said Professorship.

C. DURHAM.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders J. S. Purefoy, J. B. Richardson, E. Dodson and C. Durham,

Pending the motion to adopt, a collection was taken up for the Beneficiaries at Wake Forest College, amounting to $2.94 in cash and five sacks of flour. Report adopted.

Committee on Sunday Schools reported:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is gratifying to state that most of our churches report flourishing Sunday Schools. We regret, however, that some suspend during the winter. Should christians go into winter quarters while their enemies are in the field and most busily engaged, as is the case, during the winter season? We would urge upon the churches the importances of making their houses comfortable, and keeping up Sunday Schools during the entire year. The hope of our churches is, under God, in the children, and if we wish them to grow up firm Baptists and liberal with their means, we must instruct them in the doctrines of the Bible and teach them the blessedness of giving. The place in which to do this is the Sunday School.

A. C. DIXON,
JESSE HOWELL,
G. P. MOORE,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders A. C. Dixon, E. Dodson, C. Durham and A. D. Blackwood. Report adopted.

The Association adjourned to 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer, Elder J. S. Purefoy leading.

THURSDAY, 9½ o'clock A. M., Aug. 30th, 1877.

The Association met.

Religious exercises by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

The Association was called to order by Elder J. P. Mason acting Moderator.

Roll called.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Committee on State Missions reported:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Great has been the progress of Baptist principles in North Carolina since the year 1784. Though they were first introduced in the year 1727, and the first church then organized, yet owing to the rigid and persecuting laws of our State but little aid could they obtain among the people. Since our independence, however, great has been the growth of the Baptists. In 1874, we had but 42 churches, 47 ministers and 3,276 communicants, now there are not less than 1,442 churches, 793 ministers and 137,000 members of the regular Baptists.

The first Mission Board in North Carolina was organized in 1805, since this date we have been pushing State Missions, till to-day, at least, one-fourth of our population is baptistic in sentiment; while our influence and labors have extended far beyond the limits of our commonwealth. Wherever our principles have been firmly planted it has been the result of Missionary effort. The Mission Board is doing but little this year for lack of the necessary funds, and yet it is successfully laboring at Salisbury, Statesville, Dallas, Gastonia, Polkton, Rockingham and Morganton, with their surrounding country. Also one Missionary in Tyrrell county, while some Associotions are supporting Missionaries within their own bounds independent of any aid from the State Board. While much is being done, yet we should feel ashamed that we are not doing more, especially when we view the great field ripe to harvest. Not less than one hundred destitute sections, and centres of influence, are now calling for the truth as we hold it. On our own borders, as an Association, a vast field stands open to us. Graham and all the surrounding country is missionary ground to the Baptists. We are well able to occupy these fields and every destitute section within the bounds of North Carolina, but we have not the spirit to go forward and reap the harvest for our Great Redeemer.

J. B. RICHARDSON,
J. W. HACKNEY,
WM. CHEEK,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders E. Dodson, Johnson Olive, J. S. Purefoy, C. Durham, J. W. F. Rogers, J. B. Richardson and Bro. Mark Durham. Report adopted.

The Association then repaired to the Stand to hear the

Missionary Sermon preached by Elder A. C. Dixon, from Acts 16 : 9 ; and Colossians 3 : 5. "Come over into Macedonia and help us." "Covetousness, which is idolatry."

After which, a collection was taken up for Foreign Missions, amounting to $19.33.

THURSDAY, 1 o'clock P. M.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received from the Churches on Foreign Missions,.....	$ 14 24
" " " " Sunday Schools,.....	1 49
" " " " State Missions,.	43 73
" " " " Education,.....	1 88
" " " " Minute Fund,.....	48 15
By cash paid Treasurer,.....	$ 109 49

On motion, Elder J. P. Mason and J. H. Vernon were appointed a Committee to report Delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

Committee on Home and Indian Missions reported:

REPORT ON HOME AND INDIAN MISSIONS.

This Board was organized in 1845, and embraces the destitution of all the Southern States and the Indian Territory. The Baptists have worked well in the country and deserve a great deal of credit for the same. But they have neglected towns. The Apostles as well as Christ went first into Towns. Every epistle in the New Testament (except one to the Gallatians) addressed to places was directed to towns. This Board, to a considerable extent, has corrected this mistake. It has assisted many towns. In the Collisseum Place Church in New Orleans, where the Southern Baptist Convention was held in 1877 was built up by this Board, as well as Third Church in St. Louis, where the Southern Baptist Convention was held in

1871. The Leigh Street Church, Richmond, Va., was built up by this Board. It assisted Charlotte, Greensboro, Raleigh, Goldsboro, Newbern, Edenton, Elizabeth City, as well as places in the country, have been helped by this Board. Raleigh was helped from 1845 to 1852, when the church become self-supporting. In 1859 this Board gave to North Carolina $1,200 and received only $60. In 1846, when the Missionaries of this Board went to Texas, there were about 400 Baptists, now there are about 60,000, with 2 Colleges and 1 University in progress. In States where there are but few Baptists, and many foreigners coming in, it is a very great blessing. It is a great benefit to all the South. Since 1845 the Missionaries of this Board have baptized over 35,000 persons. In the Indian Territory Bro. Buckner has baptized over 3,000. Others have baptized many. This Board being a helper to all the States, and everything to Indian Territory, should receive our cordial support. E. DODSON.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder E. Dodson. Report adopted.

Committee to appoint Delegates to the Baptist State Convention reported the following:

Elder G. P. Moore, Bros. J. W. Hackney, P. H. Smith, John Cheek, H. C. Andrews, A. J. McDade, H. P. Smith, W. A. Albright and W. T. Patterson.

Correspondents to sister Associations reported:

Elders J. H. Vernon, W. B. Harrell and Bro. W. A. Albright attended the Beulah.

Raleigh, Central, Flat River and Sandy Creek Associations no attendance reported.

Appointed Correspondents to sister Associations as follows:

To Beulah—Elders J. H. Vernon and W. B. Harrell.

To Sandy Creek—Elder G. P. Moore and Bro. J. W. Hackney.

To Raleigh—Bro. Wm. Cheek, Elder J. C. Wilson, Bro. A. J. McDade, Elders C. Durham and Jesse Howell.

To Central—Elders J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson, A. C. Dixon, and C. Durham and Bro. Mark Durham.

To Flat River—Elder J. H. Vernon, Bros. Mark Durham and E. Glenn.

On motion, the Treasurer was directed to pay the contributions for Sunday Schools, Foreign Missions and State Missions to Elder J. B. Richardson; and the contributions for Education to Elder J. S. Purefoy.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF ASSOCIATION.

C. R. Scott, Treasurer,

In Account with Mt. Zion Association.

1877.	DR.	
Aug. 30.	Received from the Finance Committee,.....	$ 109 49
	Collection for Education, Wednesday, 29th,....	2 93
	" " Foreign Missions, Thursday, 30th	19 33
		$ 131 75

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By cash paid J. B. Richardson for F. M.,.....	$ 33 57	
" " " " " " S. S. M.,.....	1 49	
" " " " " " State Mission	43 73	
" " " J. S. Purefoy for Education,.....	4 81	
" " " Clerk of Association,.....	10 00	
" " " Printing Minutes,.....	38 15	
		$ 131 75

C. R. SCOTT, *Treasurer.*

On motion, the Clerk was directed to have published in the minutes which Sunday or Sundays in each month the different churchus in the bounds of this Association had preaching.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to pay himself $10.00 for his services, and have the minutes printed with the balance of the Association fund, and distribute to the churches in proportion to the amount sent up by each.

On motion, the following resolution, offered by Elder Jesse Howell, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Delegates to this Association be requested to bring the interest of the Baptist cause, at Graham, before their churches and secure all that the brethren, sisters and friends can give to this object.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Prayer by Elder J. H. Vernon.

So closed the Eighth Session of the Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

J. C. WILSON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, *Clerk.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by let.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Sunday Schools.	Foreign Missions	State Missions.	Education.	Associational Fund.
Antioch,	M. S. Ferrell,	Weldon M. Stroud,	2d,	4	1	2	3	..	3	108	$. ..	$ 2 65	$ 2 65	$.....	$ 2 50
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	Sidney C. Durham,	4th,	....	4	..	1	3	..	142	.....	.....	7 10	.....	3 00
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell,	G. A. Barbee, ...	4th,	...	..	..	3	1	..	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	D. M. Sikes,	3d,	1	..	..	7	...	5	291	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Chapel Hill,	A. C. Dixon,	A. J. McDade,	ev'y	12	4	1	3	4	1	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Belvin,	R. A. Patterson,	Jas. S. Durham,	4th,	8	1	2	..	...	1	31	.. ...	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Graham,	W. B. Harrell,	Jas. A. Graham,	1, 3,	...	5	..	..	1	1	22	1 49	1 49	1 49	1 88	1 50
Hillsboro',	W. B. Harrell,	J. M. Blackwood,	2, 4,	9	..	..	5	1	2	46	.. ...	... ..	.....	. ....	2 00
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Y. A. Oldham,	1st,	....	2	..	5	1	1	147	.....	.....	68	.....	1 50
Mt. Carmel,	R. A. Patterson,	Marion Cheek,	3d,	....	8	..	4	3	1	116	.. ..	4 75	4 75	.....	2 50
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	J. W. Beavers,	4th,	....	2	..	6	2	2	255	.....	... ..	14 25	.....	4 50
Mt. Moriah,	M. S. Ferrell,	W. T. Patterson,	3d,	....	1	..	1	..	..	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mt. Gillead,	J. C. Wilson,	J. Q. Briant,	3d,	....	4	..	5	1	2	102	.....	3 70	3 70	.....	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	J. H. Freeman,	A. C. Hunter,	1, 3	9	3	1	1	3	3	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mars Hill,	J. H. Vernon,	Jesse Miller,	2d,	8	..	..	6	..	1	69	.....	.....	.. .	.....	2 00
Olive's Chapel,	Johnson Olive,	H. J. Barker,	3d,	17	2	..	10	4	1	194	.....	1 65	1 65	.....	2 50
Pleasant Grove,	G. P. Moore,	R. C. Council,	1st,	....	5	..	..	..	..	115	.....	... ..	85	....	3 00
Durham,	C. Durham,	A. C. Watts,	ev'y	30	4	1	15	1	2	213	... ..	.....	6 61	.....	4 30
Arm of Durham,	.....	.....	...	....	..	..	..	..	..	....	... ..	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Sandy Level,	Jesse Howell,	W. A. J. Rocell,	1st,	...	3	..	..	1	1	39	.....	.....	... ..	.....	1 00
Trades' Hill,	J. C. Wilson,	T. L. Lassater,	2d,	3	4	...	..	2	..	57	... ..	.....	.....	....	1 50
				101	53	7	75	28	27	2334	$ 1 49	$14 24	$43 73	$ 1 88	$ 48 15

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Elder	George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	North	Carolina.
"	James P. Mason,	" "	"	"
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PROCEEDINGS.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, Orange Co., N. C.
Tuesday, August 27th, 1878.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association meets in its Ninth Annual Session at Bethel Church, Orange county, N. C.

Elder A. C. Dixon preaches the Introductory Sermon from John 8: 12.

The congregation dismissed for one hour.

TUESDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

The Association was called together by the former Moderator.

Religious exercises and prayer, Elder J. H. Vernon leading.

Elders A. C. Dixon and W. B. Harrell were requested to act as Reading Clerks.

The Churches were then called and their letters read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—Thos. W. Patterson, W. G. Eubanks, D. M. Durham and W. M. Stroud.

Bethel—Ruffin Andrews, Manly M. Brewer, Wm. H. Lloyd, Thos M. Lloyd.

Berea—W. C. Mason.

Belvin—James G. Durham, M. B. Durham and James F. Baily.

Cane Creek—Thos. D. Oldham, Wm. Cheek, A. P. Cates and D. M. Sykes.

Chapel Hill—E. H. Wilson, J. Y. Merritt, H. P. Smith and A. J. McDade.

Durham.—R. J. Hall, L. O. Lougee and J. M. Woods.

Graham—C. Lloyd and James A. Graham.

Hillsboro—John Cheek and James E. Jones.

Lystra—Elbert Riggsbee, P. M. Pearson, W. C. Cole and Chas. Horton.

Mt. Carmel—John A. Partin, J. W. Riggsbee and J. B. Cheek.

Mt. Pisgah—W. H. Merritt, R. H. Beavers, J. F. Williams and James W. Beavers.

Mt. Gilead—J. W. Hackney, M. S. Hackney and Wm. Temple.

Mt. Hermon—Alvis Durham, A. C. Hunter and A. J. Carroll.

Mt. Moriah—Abel Madry, Quinton Strane and W. T. Patterson.

Moore's Chapel—Chesley Moore, Wm. C. Moore, Jesse H. Winningham and George C. Guthrie.

Olive's Chapel—S. G. Wilson, A. T. Olive and C. W. Lawrence.
Pleasant Grove—Sidney Eubanks, C. W. Sugg, L. H Harward and R. C. Council.
Sandy Level—A. W. Fletcher and W. E. Glenn.
Trade's Hill—A. Johnson, L. D. H. Mitchell.
Mar's Hill—Andrew Compton, R. J. Walker and S. P. Cates.
Yates—Henry Pickett, C. P. Trice, C. W. Carroll and S. H. Pickett.

Ministers present, members of this Association, to-wit: Elders J. C. Wilson, J. P. Mason, W. B. Harrell, C. Durham, A. C. Dixon, J. H. Vernon, J. H. Freeman, R. A. Patterson and G. P. Moore.

The Association proceeded to the election of a Moderato r by appointing Elder J. H. Vernon and Bro. John Cheek tellers, who reported Elder J. C. Wilson elected.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us, and Bro. L. Andrews, from Sandy Creek Association, and Bro L. R. Mills, from the Central. agent of the Educational Board, accepted the invitation.

A letter from Moore's Chapel Church, asking admittance into this body, is received and referred to a committee consisting of Elders C. Durham, J. H. Freeman and Bro. T. D. Oldam, who reported as follows:

We recommend that the Moore's Chapel Church be received as a member of this body. We would suggest that this Church record on their Church Book their Church Covenant and Articles of Faith at their first meeting.

C. DURHAM,
J. H. FREEMAN,
T. D. OLDHAM,
Committee.

The Church is received and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates.

A letter from Yates Church, asking admittance into this body, is received and referred to the same committee, who reported as follows:

We recommend that Yates Church be received as a member of this body.

C. DURHAM,
J. H. FREEMAN,
T. D. OLDHAM.

The Church is received and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates.

On motion, the following Order of Business is adopted:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9 o'clock, A. M. for Prayer; 9½ for Associational business. Take recess from 12 to 1 o'clock, P. M.
2nd. Call roll of delegates.
3rd. Read and correct, if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Read Constitution and Rules of Order on Wednesday morning.
5th. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
6th. Call for queries.

7th. Appoint the following committees: On Finance; On Education; On Periodicals; On Sunday Schools; On State Missions; On Foreign Missions; On Time and Place and stated service of next meeting.

8th. Call for Reports of Correspondents.

9th. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.

10th. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.

11th. Call for Reports.

12th. Take up other business as it may present, &c.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of Bethel Church are appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the session of this Association, except the appointments already made.

The following Committees were announced by the Moderator, to-wit:

On Finance—Bros. Alvis Durham, J. W. Hackney and A. P. Cates.

On Education—Elder J. H. Vernon, Bros. J. A. Graham and L. R. Mills.

On Periodicals—Elder A. C. Dixon, Bros. A. J. McDade and W. H. Lloyd.

On Sunday Schools—Elders George P. Moore, J. H. Freeman and Bro. J. F. Williams.

On State Missions—Elders W. B. Harrell, R. A. Patterson and Bro. L. H. Harward.

On Foreign Missions—Elder C. Durham, Bros. John Cheek and R. C. Council.

On Time and Place and Stated Services of Next Meeting—Bros. H. M. C. Stroud, Chesley Moore and J. A. Graham.

On motion, a committee was appointed on the recommendations of the Durham Church, to-wit: Elders A. C. Dixon, G. P. Moore, C. Durham, Bros. T. D. Oldham and John Cheek.

On motion, the Letters from the following Churches were handed back to the delegates to fill them up with the Financial Statistics of each Church, to-wit: Bethel, Mt. Moriah, Graham and Trades' Hill.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, 9 o'clock A. M., Aug. 28, 1878.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in prayer, Elder W. B. Harrell conducting it.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

Roll called.

Proceedings of yesterday read.

On motion, the reading of the Constitution and Rules of Order were dispensed with.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats. Bro. N. B. Broughton, of the RECORDER, from the Raleigh Association, accepted.

Correspondents to sister Associations reported:

Elder J. H. Vernon attended the Beulah.
Elder G. P. Moore attended the Sandy Creek.
Elder J. C. Wilson attended the Raleigh.
Central and Flat River, no attendance reported.

Correspondents to sister Association appointed:

Beulah—Elders J. H. Vernon, W. B. Harrell, Bros. J. E. Jones and T. B. Oldham.

Sandy Creek—Elders J. C. Wilson, G. P. Moore, J. P. Mason, R. A. Patterson, Bros. J. W. Hackney, W. C. Cole, C. R. Scott and G. C. Guthrie.

Raleigh—Elders J. H. Vernon and G. P. Moore.

Central—Elders J. P. Mason, A. C. Dixon, C. Durham and Bro. R. J. Buffaloe.

Flat River—Elder J. H. Vernon, Bros. Mark Durham and E. Glenn.

On motion, Bros. J. A. Graham, W. C. Cole and Elder A. C. Dixon were appointed a committee to report Delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

Elder J. H. Vernon read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We cannot too strongly urge the importance of early training. Youth is the time to make good and lasting impressions. In connection with the most pressing necessity of daily labor in domestic and agricultural employment, let parents see that time be given to the boys and girls to spell and read. In this way the poorest may lay a foundation for broad and liberal culture in after years. We suggest that the delegates of this Association give earnest heed to what is said on this subject, and endeavor to stir their brethren and neighbors, that we may have more general interest in the work. Brethren, we must have enterprise and make some self-denial in training the mind and fitting it for usefulness.

We recommend Wake Forest College, to keep it before the minds of our people as worthy of the prayers and patronage of our denomination.

In addition to the regular preparatory and collegiate course, there has been established a school of English and Bible study; to which we ask the attention of our ministering brethren in particular.

There has been thirteen young brethren received by the Board for next year. Let us assist them with substantial aid in the matter of board.

J. H. VERNON,
J. A. GRAHAM,
L. R. MILLS.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Bro. L. R. Mills.

While the motion was pending, a collection was taken up for education, amounting to $10.28, which was paid to Bro. L. R. Mills.

The Association then adjourned to the Stand to hear the

Missionary Sermon, preached by Elder C. Durham from 1st chapter of John, part of the 29th verse: "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

WEDNESDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The subject of Education resumed, and pending its consideration, Elder J. P. Mason offered the following resolution in connection with the report:

We, the Ministers and Delegates composing the Mt. Zion Association, feeling the necessity of a more thorough education of Ministers, and feeling desirous to do more in this direction, therefore,

Resolved, That we will support at the College our beloved brother M. V. Duffie, who is now pursuing his studies at Wake Forest College.

After further remarks by Elders G. P. Moore, R. A. Patterson, A. C. Dixon and C. Durham, the Report with the Resolution was adopted.

Elder A. C. Dixon read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In spreading the Gospel, nothing can ever take the place of the living voice, but its most powerful auxiliary is the religious press. Controverted doctrines are now discussed as much perhaps in print as from the pulpit. How important, then, that Baptists whose mission is to contend for the faith once delivered to the saints, should use this engine in attacking error and defending the truth. To the Baptist cause of North Carolina, the BIBLICAL RECORDER, the promoter and defender of our principles, is a necessity. As an educator of our people, it is invaluable. It is a note-worthy fact that those churches whose members take this paper are most liberal in their contributions. We commend it to the hearty support of this Association, with the hope that each church will strive during the next year to increase its list of subscribers.

KIND WORDS is the paper for our Sunday Schools.

We need better acquaintance with our Missionaries in the field, and no Baptist should be without the FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL, published at Richmond, Va., for only fifty cents a year.

A. C. DIXON,
A. J. McDADE,
W. H. LLOYD,
Committee.

After remarks by Bros. N. B. Broughton, L. R. Mills, and Elders J. P. Mason and C. Durham, the report was adopted.

Elder C. Durham read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God has abundantly blessed our Foreign Mission Work.

CHINA MISSIONS.

TUNG CHOW. In this city we have two churches, Monument Street

and North Street Churches, and the following laborers: Elder T. P. Crawford, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. S. J. Holmes, Miss Lottie Moon, a native pastor, Woo, and three native assistants.

Statistics—Monument St. Church baptized 5: died 1; total 63. North St. Church baptized 4; restored 1; died 1; total 67. Schools, 4; Mrs. Crawford has a school of 14 boys; Mrs. Holmes has 25 girls; Miss Moon has a school also, which is doing well; and pastor Woo has a school of 13 pupils and an assistant preacher sustained by the natives.

Bro. and Sister Crawford have been in China 27 years.

SHANGHAI. Here we have two Churches and one out Station—a Chapel—and the following laborers: Dr. M. T. Yates, Mrs. Yates, and a native pastor, Wang Ping San, and one assistant.

Statistics—Baptized 7; total 80; Schools 2; number of pupils 38.

Many of the members of these Churches, both men and women, are active workers and lead in public prayer. Dr. Yates says: I have given special attention to teaching the church the word of God. A well taught and a well trained church is the foundation of successful work for Christ. Dr. Yates has been hard at work translating the Scriptures and a Hymn Book into the Chinese language. Dr. Yates and wife have been in China 30 years.

CANTON. Here we have one church and the following laborers: Elder R. H. Graves, Mrs. Graves, Miss Whilden, three ordained ministers, ten native assistants and Bible women.

Statistics—Baptized 20; total 158; Schools 5. In all these schools there are about 100 pupils.

At this place on the 11th of April last, there was a dreadful tornado causing immense loss of life and terrible destruction to property. It lasted from three to five minutes, being not more than two hundred yards wide, but during this short time not less than ten thousand Chinese lost their lives. All came thus so suddenly to death, and too without the knowledge of Jesus. Let us remember, that in China to-day there are *ten times* as many people who know nothing at all of Jesus as there are people in these United States of America. Five or six hundred million of people in one nation without the Bible and without any knowledge of Jesus. Help, O Lord, help us and them!

AFRICAN MISSIONS.

Here we have Elders W. J. David, W. W. Colly and six native assistants. The Lord has done great things for us in Africa.

ITALIAN MISSIONS.

In Rome and other cities in Italy, we have Dr. George B. Taylor and eight native assistants.

God moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform.

The victory is sure.

The following encouraging statistics of Prof. A. J. Schem will show how the battle begun by our Lord Jesus 1800 years ago is progressing:

Total population of the world,....	1,396,572,000
Under christian government, ...	685,459,411
Under non-christian government,...	711,383,589
Total area of the earth, square miles,...	52,062,470
Area of christian government, ...	32,419,915
Area of non-christian government,..... ...	19,642,555

Thus we see that nearly two-thirds of the earth's area is under christian government; and, second, nearly half the population of the world is under christian government. We regard the establishment of religious liberty, only a few years ago in Italy, and during the last year its establishment in Turkey and its oppressed provinces, as the most significant and blessed triumphs except the establishing of religious liberty in America, that civilization and religion have gained for many centuries.

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We live in a wonderful age. And every new development of Providence seems to call louder and more plainly to us to redouble our efforts to give the blessed Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the world. We need greater ~~religious~~ obligations, more faith and more activity.

C. DURHAM.
JOHN CHEEK,
R. C. COUNCIL,
Committee.

On motion, the report is made the special order for to-morrow morning 10½ o'clock.

Bro. Alvis Durham reads the

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received from the different churches on State Missions,...	$16 39
Foreign Missions,.....	16 31
Education,.....	4 80
Sunday Schools,.....	1 50
Minute Fund,.....	46 65
By cash paid Treasurer,.....	$85 65

ALVIS DURHAM, *Chm'n.*

Report adopted.

On motion, the amount of $15.40, collected at the stand to-day after the missionary sermon, be paid to Foreign Missions. The motion was adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place, &c., of the next Association, reported as follows:

Graham Church, Alamance county, as the place, and Thursday before the first Sabbath in September, 1879, as the time. Elder C. Durham to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder A. C. Dixon to preach the Missionary Sermon.

H. M. C. STROUD,
CHESLEY MOORE,
JAS. A. GRAHAM,
Committee.

After remarks by Elders C. Durham, A. C. Dixon, and Bros. T. D. Oldham, J. A. Graham, Elders J. P. Mason and R. A. Patterson, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Association convenes and spends half hour in prayer, Elder C. Durham conducting it.

The Moderator then calls the Association to order.

The committee on the recommendations from Durham church, reported as follows:

We recommend that Article 3 of the Constitution of our Association be changed to read as follows: "The number of delegates from each church shall be three, and one additional delegate for each Sabbath School connected with that church. He shall be a member of some Baptist Church."

We most earnestly recommend that this Association take such steps as may be necessary to form a judicious Mission Committee or Board, to supply the destitution on and in our borders with the gospel, and so interest all the churches and Sabbath Schools in the work.

A. C. DIXON,
T. D. OLDHAM,
JOHN CHEEK,
G. P. MOORE,
C. DURHAM,
Committee.

After remarks by Elders C. Durham, G. P. Moore, A. C. Dixon, Bros. J. A. Graham, John Cheek and Elder J. P. Mason, the report is adopted.

The special order of business is taken up. Elder C. Durham again reads the report on Foreign Missions. After remarks by Elders C. Durham, A. C. Dixon, Bros. N. B. Broughton and Elder J. C. Wilson, the report is adopted.

On motion, a collection is taken for the Rome Chapel, amounting to $11.32.

Committee to report delegates to the Baptist State Convention, reported as follows:

Elders J. C. Wilson, W. B. Harrell, Bros. W. H. Merritt, Alvis Durham, John Cheek, W. T. Patterson, Dr. A. B. Roberson, Chesley Moore, Elder G. P. Moore, Bros. T. D. Oldham and James A. Graham.

JAS. A. GRAHAM,
W. C. COLE,
A. C. DIXON,
Committee.

The report is adopted.

Elder W. B. Harrell reads the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The cause of missions is the cause of God and humanity, and the Spirit of Christ is the grand moving power that promotes the spread of gospel truth in the earth. If we have not the Spirit of Christ we are none of His, and need not lay any claim to the title of Missionary Baptists, for it is by exhibiting this spirit, both in our faith and practice, that the world may know that we are His. There is great need that we abound in good works, and especially in advancing the cause of our Divine Redeemer in our own State. Many places in the limits of our Association are without the truth as we hold it; and there are whole households of grown men and women who never saw a Missionary Baptist, or heard a sermon from any of our ministers. Shall this state of things continue. It is time that mission work done within the limits of our State is legitimately State Missions; and in this sense individuals, churches, Associations, and our State Mission Board are doing a great work. We have for 150 years been active in State Missions. Let it be remembered that for this length of time we have gained at the rate of 1,000 a year, and no one ought to doubt our activity, at least, in this particular. But perhaps there never was a time in our history when there was so much missionary work being done in our beloved

commonwealth, but the demand is still very great. The people of our State must have the gospel. Our churches must be taught and trained. A well taught and a well trained church is the foundation of all successful work for Christ.

The State Mission Board has under its appointment this year Elders J. D. Hufham, N. B. Cobb, J. B. Boone, F. M. Jordan, J. B Richardson, H. A. Brown, J. D. Smith, R. S. Moon, R. A. Moore, and perhaps others. Up to this time they have received $912.34, and to the same time last year they had received $1,263.79. When we take the salary of the Corresponding Secretary from this last amount for that time, we find that the Board will have one-third more money this year over the last, for the missionary work. The Board is due now about $300.00. The greater part of this is due Elds. Cobb, Hufham and Richardson. Many places are calling for help and the Board has had to refuse to make many appointments in different parts of the State because of a want of funds. The Board should be liberally sustained, its work enlarged and pressed forward. Every church should take the deepest interest in this work.

We call the attention of the Association to the great destitution on our northern and western borders, and urge that some provision be made to occupy so much of this destitution as may be possible during the next year

W. B. HARRELL, *Chm'n.*

The Association adjourns for one hour.

THURSDAY, 1 o'clock, P. M., Aug. 29, 1878.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The subject of State Missions resumed.

After remarks by Elder C. Durham, on motion, the following committee was appointed in connection with the report, to be called the Mission Board of the Mt. Zion Association, to-wit:

1st Section. H. D. Mason, T. Olive, L. H. Harward, A. Johnson, A. S. Garner and Rev. J. C. Wilson.

2nd Section. H. M. C. Stroud, H. C. Andrews, W. C. Cole, J. A. Partin, H. P. Smith and Rev. A. C. Dixon.

3rd Section. D. M. Sikes, W. A. Albright, John Cheek, R. J. Buffaloe, W. T. Patterson, J. H. Winningham and Rev. W. B. Harrell.

4th Section. A. C. Hunter, L. O. Lougee, Mark Durham, S. D. Marcom, W. A. Barbee, J. W. Carlton and Rev. C. Durham.

After further remarks by Elders W. B. Harrell, R. A. Patterson and N. B. Broughton, the report was adopted.

A collection was taken up for the Graham church amounting to $12.40, which was paid to Elder W. B. Harrell.

Elder J. H. Vernon read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee beg leave to state that the most of our churches have flourishing Sunday Schools. During the last two years there has been a large increase in that department of labor. A number of new schools have been organized and are doing good work. Even the old people are becoming more interested in the work, and we believe by the united efforts of the brethren and sisters of our churches, that the truths of the

Bible as held by them will be the means of large additions to our churches, and we look upon this as being one of the sure means of building up the cause of our Redeemer. Let us, then, in view of the past, redouble our diligence for the future in that direction, and strive more earnestly for the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom on the earth.

J. H. FREEMAN,
G. P. MOORE,
J. F. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

After remarks by Bro. N. B. Broughton, the report was adopted.

The Association is divided into sections as follows:

First Section—Mt. Pisgah, Olive's Chapel, Pleasant Grove, Trade's Hill, Mt. Gilead.

Second Section—Antioch, Bethel, Lystra, Mt. Carmel, Chapel Hill.

Third Section—Cane Creek, Graham, Hillsboro, Mars Hill, Mt. Moriah, Moor's Chapel.

Fourth Section—Mt. Hermon, Durham, Belvin, Sandy Level, Berea, Yates.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer,

In Account with MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

1878.	DR.		
August 28.	Received from the Finance Committee,.....		$ 85 65
	Collection for Foreign Missions,.....		15 40
	" " Rome Chapel Thursday, 29th,.....		11 32
	Total,.....		$112 37
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	By cash paid J. Womble, Treas., Education,..	$ 4 80	
	" " " " " F. M., ...	31 71	
	" " " " " State M.,....	16 39	
	" " " " " S. Schools,..	1 50	
	" " " " " R. Chapel,..	11 32	
	" " " Clerk of Association,.....	10 00	
	" " " Printing Minutes,.....	36 65	
			$ 112 37

C. R SCOTT, *Treasurer.*

On motion, the Clerk was directed to pay himself $10.00 for his services, and have the Minutes printed with the balance of the Association fund, and distribute to the churches in proportion to the amount sent up by each.

On motion, the Clerk is directed to have the Constitution and Rules of Order of this Association printed in the Minutes.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the Church at Graham, on Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1879.

Prayer, W. B. Harrell leading.

J. C. WILSON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, *Clerk.*

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who, by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each church shall be three and one additional delegate for each Sabbath school connected with that church, who shall be a member of some Baptist church.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and died during the past year, the total number in fellowship; and the amount paid as Pastor's salary, incidental expenses, minute fund, for the poor, State, Foreign and Indian Missions, Education, Oxford Orphan Asylum, Sabbath schools. These and all other matters of finance connected with the churches, and the number of copies of the BIBLICAL RECORDER taken by the churches, and these facts shall be published in the Minutes.

ART. 5. The members thus convened shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts, this Association shall recognize Christ as the only Law Giver in Zion, and that every individual church is an independent body, with executive but no legislative power.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association, when requested by aggrieved churches, to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application, they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual application will not be entertained.

ART. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists as the true teachings thereof.

ART. 9. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and Clerk, the former to be elected annually by ballot, the latter to be also elected by ballot, but to hold his office during the pleasure of the Association.

ART. 10. The Clerk shall act as Treasurer and disburse the funds as directed by the Association. He shall also annually transcribe the proceedings of the Association in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose.

ART. 11. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received, and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given that they are truly of our faith and order.

ART. 12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

RULES OF ORDER.

ARTCLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer by the Moderator, or by some brother at his request.

ART. 2, The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over each day, and the proceedings of the previous day read over before proceeding to other business.

ART. 3. All questions before the Association shall be decided by the living voice, except a division is called for, then by rising.

ART. 4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject without permission from the Moderator.

ART. 5. It shall be the duty of members to obtain permission before leaving the Association.

ART. 6. While a brother is speaking, it shall be deemed a breach of order for any member to pass between the speaker and Moderator, or to engage in conversation, or in any way to infere with the speaker.

ART. 7. Every member must arise and address the Moderator, and confine himself strictly to the subject before the body, use appropriate language, address no member by any other appellation except that of brother, and cast no reflection on any member.

ART. 8. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, by calling some member temporarily to the Chair, and when requisite, give the casting vote.

ART. 9. Written queries from the churches or from members, and resolutions, must be twice read, and signed by the mover before they are received for discussion.

ART. 10. No motion without a second shall be received. The mover may withdraw his motion if it is done before it is voted upon.

ART. 11. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged.

ART. 12. When a motion has been carried, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority, to move for the reconsideration on the same day.

ART. 13. All committees shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered.

ART. 14. The Clerk shall make out a list of the members appointed upon each committee, stating the subject to be reported upon, and hand it to the chairman as early as practicable.

ART. 15. Should any member violate any of the preceding rules of order, it shall be the duty of the Moderator to call him to order. If he fail to do so, any member of the body shall have the same privilege.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dism. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Association Fund.
Antioch,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	W. M. Stroud,	Oaks,	2d,	..	2	..	2	..	..	109	$....	$ ...	$...	$...	$ 2 00
Bethel,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	S. C. Durham,	Chapel Hill,	4th,	..	..	..	2	3	1	136	.....	.....	....	....	2 00
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	G. A. Barbee,	Durham,	4th	7	3	..	5	1	..	69	.....	.....	...	...	1 40
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes,	Rock Spring,	2, 3,	..	..	.	27	8	1	255	.....	.....	....	...	3 00
Chapel Hill,	A. C. Dixon,	" "	A. J. McDade,	Chapel Hill,	ev'y	12	10	1	1	4	..	144	.....	.....	...	....	2 00
Graham,	W. B. Harrell	Graham,	Jas. A. Graham,	Graham,	1, 3,	2	3	..	3	..	..	23	.....	33	....	1 50	1 00
Hillsboro,	.....	... .	J. M. Blackwood	Hillsboro,	...	..	..	..	4	..	2	40	94	2 43	..	...	1 50
Lystra,	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	Y. A. Oldham,	Chapel Hill,	1st,	2	3	..	2	3	..	147	. ..	.....	....	...	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	R. A. Patterson,	Oaks,	J. M. Cheek, Jr.,	" "	3d,	..	..	..	4	3	3	103	4 55	4 55	4 55	....	2 00
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beavers,	Green Level,	4th,	2	2	..	4	4	3	248	... .	... .	..	....	4 00
Mt. Moriah,	M. S. Ferrell,	Green Level,	W. T. Patterson,	....	3d,	1	7	..	1	..	1	88	.. .	.....	....	...	2 00
Mt. Gillead,	C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	J. Q. Bryant,	Pittsboro,	3d,	..	4	..	2	2	..	100	... .	....	....	....	1 75
Mt. Hermon,	J. H. Freeman,	Durham,	A. C. Hunter,	Univ. Station,	1st,	3	3	..	4	3	1	116	.....	....	....	....	3 00
Olive's Chapel,	Johnson Olive,	Apex,	H. J. Barker,	New Hill,	3d,	..	...	4	11	5	3	178	3 00	3 50	....	..	2 50
Pleasant Grove	G. P. Moore,	Pittsboro,	R. C. Council,	Elm Grove,	1st,	..	3	..	4	..	1	114	3 20	3 15	....	....	3 00
Durham,	C. Durham,	Durham,	W. J. Christian,	Durham,	ev'y	4	14	1	25	4	2	181	.. .	.....	....	...	4 50
Sandy Level,	Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	W. A. J. Rochell	"	1st,	5	6	..	..	..	..	49	...	.....	..	...	1 50
Trade's Hill,	J. M. Holleman,	Apex,	A. Johnson,	Merry Oaks,	2d,	..	..	..	3	3	..	51	60	60	25	....	1 50
Belvin,	J. H. Freeman,	Durham,	Jas. S. Durham,	Stagsville,	4th,	3	10	9	...	..	...	55	.....	....	...	...	1 00
Mars Hill,	J. H. Vernon,	Semora,	Jesse Miller,	Hillsboro,	2d,	..	2	..	...	..	1	71	.....	.....	...	...	2 00
Moor's Chapel,	R. A. Patterson,	Oaks,	J.H.Winningham	Saxapahaw,	2d,	2	..	..	...	...	..	35	1 75	1 75	..	...	1 00
Yates,	... .	.....	S. H. Pickett,	Durham,	3d,	..	..	..	....	2	..	30	2 35	....	....	....	2 00
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FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses	Minute Fund.	Poor.	No. copies of Recorder taken.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions	Education.	Sabbath Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum.	Theological Seminary.	Rome Chapel.	Other Objects.	Total.
Antioch,	$ 100 00	$ 75	$ 2 00	$	4	$	$ 5 80	$	$ 2 35	$	$	$	$	$	$ 110 90
Bethel,	100 00		2 00		10	4 15	1 29			1 18	3 08		1 10		112 80
Berea,	60 00		1 40		1		2 25								63 65
Cane Creek,	152 00		3 00		10	15 79	10 32			11 00					192 41
Chapel Hill,	650 00	519 93	2 00			29 94	39 12	26 69				1,038 00			2,305 68
Graham,	107 75	8 45	1 00		2		33		15 00						132 53
Hillsboro,	50 00		1 50				3 91	5 14	6 13	4 35	4 95				75 98
Lystra,	100 00		2 00		8	5 05	5 00		11 42		1 20		3 78		128 45
Mt. Carmel,	75 00	12 00	2 00		6			6 32							95 32
Mt. Pisgah,	125 00	5 00	4 00	14 50	20	10 67	50 85	12 00	6 00	3 00	50	296 00		24 35	551 37
Mt. Moriah,			2 00												2 00
Mt. Gilead,	81 00	4 00	1 75	7 00	5		5 00		60	8 40		13 60			121 35
Mt. Hermon,	50 00		3 00		1		3 25			4 00					60 25
Olive's Chap.	80 00	18 60	2 50	4 25	12	3 00	4 63			6 00					118 38
Pleas. Grove,	55 00		3 00		5	3 20	5 95								67 15
Durham,	800 00	137 50	4 50		30	540 55	80 75	98 25	82 41	10 00	40 00	340 00			2,133 96
Sandy Level,	75 00	50 00	1 50												126 50
Trades' Hill,	60 00		1 50			60	60	25						1 40	64 35
Belvin,		8 00	1 00		1										9 00
Mars' Hill,	100 00		2 00		5		17 48		16 00	6 00					141 48
Moore's Chap			1 00			1 75	1 75								4 50
Yates,		17 53	2 00		2	3 75	2 30		18 47						43 85
	$2,820 75	$781 76	$46 65	$25 75	122	$617 00	$242 33	$148 65	$158 38	$53 39	$49 73	$1,687 60	$4 88	$25 75	$6,661 86

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C. R. Scott, Clerk and Treasurer, Green Level, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Elder	George W. Purefoy,	Chapel Hill,	N. C.
"	James P. Mason,	" "	"
"	John C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	"
"	Samuel Baldwin,	Snipe's Store,	"
"	Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	"
"	Richard A. Patterson,	Oaks,	"
"	George P. Moore,	Pittsboro,	"
"	W. B. Harrell,	Graham,	"
"	C. Durham,	Durham,	"
"	A. C. Dixon,	Chapel Hill,	"
"	J. H. Freeman,	Durham,	"

PROCEEDINGS.

GRAHAM BAPTIST CHURCH,
Alamance Co., N. C., Thursday, Sept. 4th, 1879.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association meets in its tenth annual session at Graham Church, Alamance county, N. C.

Elder C. Durham preaches the Introductory Sermon from Acts 16, part of the 30th and 31st verses.

The congregation is dismissed until 3 o'clock P. M.

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3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association was called to order by Elder C. Durham, our former Moderator not being present.

On motion, Elder J. P. Mason is called to the chair *pro tem.*

By request, Elder J. H. Vernon leads in prayer.

Elders C. Durham and J. H. Vernon are requested to act as Reading Clerks.

The churches are then called and their letters read and their delegates enrolled as follows:

ANTIOCH.—H. M. C. Stroud, James M. Copeland.
BETHEL.—John Q. Lloyd, Ruffin Andrews, C. W. Loyd, H. A. Cates.
BEREA.—G. A. Barbee, W. A. Barbee.
BELVIN.—Mark Durham, James S. Durham.
CANE CREEK.—T. D. Oldham, A. P. Cates, Wm. Cheek, A. Cates.
CHAPEL HILL.—H. P. Smith, W. D. Weaver.
GRAHAM.—W. A. Albright, Campbel Lloyd, R. A. Noel, and John Underwood.
DURHAM.—S. T. Buchanan, L. O. Lougee, T. J. Riggsbee, J. N. Cheek, and W. J. Christian.
HILLSBORO.—John Cheek, Earnest Cheek.
LYSTRA.—W. C. Cole, M. Lloyd.
MT. CARMEL.—John A. Partin.
MT. PISGAH.—H. P. Mason, W. H. Merritt, J. W. Beavers.
MT. MORIAH.—A. B. Couch, Thomas Carrell.
MT. GILEAD.—J. W. Hackney, J. M. Griffin.
MT. HERMON.—A. A. Lloyd, Alvis Durham.
MOORE'S CHAPEL.—Green Moore, George C. Guthrie, Wm. C. Moore, James H. Moore.
MARS HILL —R. J. Buffaloe.
OLIVE'S CHAPEL.—W. S. Olive.
PLEASANT GROVE.—G. W. Foushee.
SANDY LEVEL.—A. H. Rochell.

TRADES HILL.—Alfred Johnson.
UNION GROVE —F. A. Hatch, Murphy Cates.
YATES'.—S. H. Pickett.
MINISTERS PRESENT (members of this Association.)—J. P. Mason, W. B. Harrell, C. Durham and A. C. Dixon.

The Association proceeds to the election of a Moderator by appointing Bro. H. M. C. Stroud and Elder W. B. Harrell tellers. Elder J. P. Mason was elected.

Visiting brethren invited to seats with us, and Elder C. T. Bailey of the *Biblical Recorder*, Bro. J. E. Ray, Secretary of the State Mission Board, and Elder J. H. Vernon, from the Beulah Association, accepted.

On motion the following committees are appointed, to-wit:-

ON FINANCE.—Bros. J. W. Hackney, W. J. Christian and A. P. Cates.
ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Elder J. H. Vernon, Bros. J. N. Cheek and R. A. Noel.
ON EDUCATION.—Elder A. C. Dixon, Bros. L. O. Lougee and H. D. Mason.
ON TIME AND PLACE AND STATED SERVICES OF NEXT ASSOCIATION. —Bros. J. N. Cheek, A. H. Rochell and T. D. Oldham.
ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Bros. J. E. Ray, H. P. Smith and J. A. Partin.
ON DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.—Bros. H. M. C. Stroud, Mark Durham and W. A. Barbee.
ON STATE MISSIONS.—Elder C. Durham, Bro. C. W. Lloyd and H. M. C. Stroud.
ON PERIODICALS.—Elder C. T. Bailey, Bros. J. W. Beavers and W. C Cole.
ON TEMPERANCE.—Elder A. C. Dixon, Bros. A. B. Couch and G. W. Foushee.

On motion, the subject of State Missions is made the special order of business for to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

On motion, Elder W. B. Harrell and the Deacons of Graham church are appointed a committee on Religious Exercises during the session of this Association.

On motion, a Committee are appointed on the order of business for this Association, consisting of Elder W. B. Harrell, Bros. W. B. Merritt, and Alfred Johnson, who reported as follows :

1. This Association shall meet at 9 o'clock, A. M., for prayer ; 9:30 o'clock for Associational business. Take recess from 12 to 2 o'clock P. M.
2. Call roll of delegates.
3. Read, and correct if necessary, the minutes of the preceding day.
4. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
5. Call for queries.
6. Call for reports of correspondents.
7. Appoint correspondents to sister Associations.
8. Call for reports.
9. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
10. Take up other business as it may present.

On motion the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock. Prayer, Elder A. C. Dixon leading.

FRIDAY, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M., Sept. 5, 1879.

The Association convened and spent half hour in prayer. The Moderator then calls the Association to order. The reading of the proceedings of yesterday is dispensed with for the present.

A petitionary letter from Union Grove church, asking admittance into this body, is read and referred to a committee consisting of Elders J. H. Vernon, A. C. Dixon and Bro. Mark Durham.

Elder R. R. Moore, from the Beulah Association, and Bros. W. P. Wrenn and George Patterson, from the Sandy Creek Association, are invited to seats with us.

The hour for the special order having arrived, it was taken up, being that of State Missions. Elder C. Durham reads the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

It is a great mistake to suppose the report of our Mission Board to the Baptist State Convention shows all we as a denomination are doing to give the gospel to all the people of the State. There has been no successful effort to gather all the facts about our State Mission work, and therefore many of our people know but little of it. The facts running back for 175 years ought to be collected and published. Any and all work done, whether by the Mission Board of the Convention or Association, by the churches or individuals, whether preaching to the destitute in the cities, towns, or country, by appointments or without appointments, whether building houses of worship or brush-arbors, all is legitimate State Missionary work.

The Baptists, of all people, should be most thankful for the past, most appreciative of the present, and most hopeful of the future. By their sufferings and influence religious liberty was secured to this great nation; by them the gospel has been given to more people of our own State than by all other Christian people together, and it is to them that all have looked and all must look for a spiritual church governed only by the New Testament with ordinances. administered as ordained by Jesus Christ. When the people of these now populous States absolved their allegiance to the British Crown and the Revolution had ended in their independence and freedom, the Episcopal and Presbyterian churches had over the Baptist churches every human advantage. Since which time, however, many and very great changes have come. The Episcopalians reported this year 5,440 communicants; according to Col. Polk's book there are now 37 counties in which there is no Episcopal church. The Presbyterians reported to their Synod, in 1877, 16,544 communicants; there are thirty-four counties in which there is no Presbyterian church. The Annual N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church reported, in 1878, 62,307 communi-

cants. They claim that there are in this State belonging to the Holston and Virginia Conferences 10,000 more.

The Protestant Methodists, the Zion (colored) Methodists, the Northern Methodists, and the O'Kelleyites, all separate organizations, together estimated at about 45,000. The Catholic, the Quakers, Lutherans, German Reformed, Disciples and all the other little Pedo-Baptist organizations may be put at 20,000. This makes a total from all these combined of 159,285. The Missionary Boptists have in the State a membership of 165,000. Thus we see that the Baptists have 5,715 members more than all the denominations in the State put together. The population of the State in 1870 was 1,071,361, giving 12,700 for the increase since that time and the Baptists still number one-seventh of the entire population of the State and a much larger number of the adult population—perhaps one-fourth. It were impossible to have worked these results without active, well-directed and untiring missionary work through the past century and a half of our history. God has directed in it all. The simple Gospel has been preached, and the Holy Spirit has made it quick and powerful.

But what is this great number of Baptists now doing for the Master's cause. There are forty white Baptist Associations in the State; in the church letters of twenty-one of these last year there was reported $101,-701.54, and exclusive of pastors' salaries these reported $49,637.75 as given to the Master's cause. As a rule not more than one-half done by the churches is reported. This part being remembered and adding the other nineteen Associations, I think we can with safety say the Baptists of this State, including Pastors' salaries, give at least $200,000 a year to the cause of Christ. Many of our churches are very poor.

The State Mission Board has now seventeen missionaries employed and many of the Associations are doing large missionary work. According to the Baptist Year Book for 1879, there are 743 ordained Baptist preachers in this State. At least 200 of this number—mostly self-appointed and without compensation, except the consciousness of working for souls and for Jesus—are really doing missionary work in our own State. The work that was suggested at our last session, and soon thereafter arranged for by the Union meeting or the Mission Committee and entered upon by Rev. Jesse Howell, has been successful beyond our expectation. This work should be judiciously managed and constantly pressed. There is every human prospect that the field will be self-sustaining after this year.

Just so soon as we can with prudence do it, this Association should secure a suitable man to give his entire time to the mission work on our western border.

Faith, humility, activity, hard work, and liberal giving—all directed with common sense—is what we most need in all our mission work.

Again: Your committee would call attention to the pressing opportunities to do successful work among the colored people, and suggest to our brethren the importance and duty of aiding them in their many struggles. They very much need help in securing houses of worship. Bibles, Testaments, suitable religious papers, organizing churches, Sabbath Schools, and Associations, and in getting correct information about our mission work at home and in the foreign fields.

Respectfully submitted,

C. DURHAM, Chairman.

On motion to adopt, remarks are submitted by Elders C. Durham, C. T. Bailey, and Bro. J. E. Ray. Pending the report a collection is taken up for State Missions and pledges are made to the amount of $24.00. Report adopted.

Elder C. T. Bailey reads the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In the estimation of your committee it is exceedingly important to the progress of the denomination, the development of the churches and the cultivation and encouragement of the people, that our religious literature should be widely circulated. Again, a religious newspaper is a blessing to all the members of a family by which it is taken and read. We recommend the *Biblical Recorder* as a suitable paper for the families of all our people, and would urge the pastors of the churches and the leading laymen of the Association to use their most earnest efforts in extending its circulation till it finds a place in every Baptist home. We also recommend *Kind Words* as a suitable paper for Sunday Schools.

C. T. BAILEY,
J. W. BEAVERS,
W. C. COLE,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks are submitted by Elder C. T. Bailey.

The Association adjourued to 2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, 2 o'clock P. M.

The Moderator called the Association to Order.

The subject of Periodicals resumed. Further remarks are made by Elder C. T. Bailey, Bros. J. N. Cheek, W. A. Albright, Elders W. B. Harrell, C. Durham and Bro. J. E. Ray. Report adopted.

The committee on the petition of Union Grove church reported as follows:

We recommend an amendment to the fourth article of faith and the church be received.

On motion the church is received as a member of this body, and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

Correspondents to sister Associations reported:

BEULAH.—Elders J. H. Vernon and W. B. Harrell attended.
SANDY CREEK.—Bro. W. C. Cole attended.
RALEIGH.—No attendance reported.
CENTRAL.—Elder C. Durham attended.
FLAT RIVER.—Elder C. Durham attended.

The following resolution, introduced by Elder C. Durham, was adopted:

Resolved, That any brother visiting any of the Associations from this Association be considered corresponding delegates from this Association.

Elder A. C. Dixon reads the following

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There were at Wake Forest College last session twenty-two young ministers, thirteen of whom were under the care of the Educational Board. Bro. McDuffie, who is supported by our Association, is doing well and gives promise of great usefulness. We recommend that the churches continue their contributions for his support, and educate others if possible. All honor to the noble brethren who are working so faithful for the master without the advantages of an education, yet we believe that God requires those whom He calls to preach to prepare themselves for their work. Not only to ministers, but to merchants, farmers, mechanics, all of whatever calling, education is of unspeakable importance. We need educated laymen as well as educated preachers. Upon all our brethren, then, we urge the duty of educating their sons and daughters. Wake Forest College is the place of all others for the Baptist boys; and at Raleigh and at Murfreesboro are excellent schools for girls.

A. C. DIXON,
L. O. LOUGEE,
H. D. MASON,
Committee.

On motion it was made the special order for 8 o'clock P. M.

Bro. J. E. Ray reads the

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There is a very great increase of interest in this department of our labor in the State generally. In looking over the meagre reports sent up to the Sunday School Board at Raleigh, we find at least thirty new schools that have been organized during the present year in sections where Sunday Schools have been heretofore unknown. Last year there were more than 50 organized. And now we have within the bounds of the Baptist State Convention, not including the Western Baptist Convention of N. C., between 500 and 600 white Baptist Sunday Schools, and these schools have raised and expended during the past year $6,000 or more.

There is no part of the State that presents a more marked improvement in the Sunday School work than does the Mt. Zion Association. Last year your 22 churches, whose aggregate membership was 2,342, reported only 13 Sunday Schools, with an attendance of only 975, there being 9 churches without schools. This year your churches, with a membership of 2,520, make an exhibit of 26 schools, whose attendance numbers 1,539. Every church reported at least one school, while two churches have two schools each. Cane Creek church has three. This is indeed a matter worthy of sincere congratulation, and should call forth our heartfelt gratitude to our Heavenly Father who has so richly blessed us. But of the 1,539 persons in attendance upon your schools, less than one-fifth are professing christians, which leaves 2,213 members of your churches who never go to Sunday School, besides the thousands of children in your midst who spend the Sabbath in worldly amusements. Brethren, let us never be satisfied until these are all brought in and taught the way of life.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. RAY,
H. P. SMITH,
J. A. PARTIN,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks are submitted by Elder A. C. Dixon. The report is adopted.

The committee on time and place and stated services of

the next Association, reported as follows, to-wit: Durham as the place, and Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1880, as the time. Elder J. P. Mason to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder J. C. Wilson, the Missionary Sermon.

The report was adopted.

Elder A. C. Dixon reads the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We regard the making, selling and drinking of spirituous liquors as a beverage, one of the great scourges of our churches and country. We urge therefore, upon the churches a strict discipline in dealing with members guilty of drunkenness, and upon our preachers the duty of preaching temperance to their people.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. C. DIXON,
A. B. COUCH,
G. W. FOUSHEE,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks are submitted by Elders A. C. Dixon, C. Durham, W. B. Harrell, J. H. Vernon and Bro. Mark Durham.

Report was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 8 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Moderator calls the Association to order.

The subject of Education was taken up.

Elder A. C. Dixon again reads the report.

On motion to adopt, remarks are submitted by Dr. T. H. Pritchard, President of Wake Forest College, and Elder A. C. Dixon.

Pending the motion to adopt, pledges are made for the support of beneficiaries at Wake Forest College to the amount of $80.50, and a collection taken amounting to $15.32 in cash.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow 9 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, 9 o'clock A. M., Sept. 6, 1879.

The Association convenes and spends half hour in prayer.

The Moderator then calls the Association to order.

Roll called and the proceedings of the previous day read.

Dr. T. H. Pritchard reported himself as Corresponding Messenger from the Central Association, and also the President of Wake Forest College.

The subject of Education is resumed, and after some further remarks, the report is adopted.

Brother J. W. Hackney reads the

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Sunday Schools,	$ 1 85
Home and Indian Missions,	2 50
Education,	13 44
Foreign Missions,	15 85
Minute Fund,	44 90
Oxford Orphan Asylum,	10 00
Graham Church,	157 75
Total,	$ 246 29

A motion is made to reconsider the report of the committee on time and place of the next Association and adopted.

A motion was then made to change the time from Tuesday to Thursday, and after remarks by Elder C. Durham, W. B. Harrell, and Bros. John Cheek, J. N. Cheek, H. P. Smith and H. D. Mason, the motion was lost.

On motion, the report as made by the committee is adopted.

On motion, the Secretary of the Mission Board was called on to report.

Bro. L. O. Lougee, the Secretary, reads the report:

The brethren whom you appointed as a Mission Committee, met at Yates' Church, Saturday, September 28, 1878, and organized by the election of Elder J. P. Mason, Chairman, and brother L. O. Lougee, Secretary.

We chose Elder Jesse Howell as our Missionary, at a salary of $1.00 per day, who entered upon his duty 12th day of October, 1878, and has continued in the work, with the exception of January and February, then on half time, up to the present. There are five points designated for his labors, Hopkins' Grove, Colclough's School House, Red Mountain, Union Grove and Orange Factory.

At Hopkins' Grove they have now nearly completed a good house of worship, and will organize a church Saturday before the first Sunday in October, with about 20 members. They had a few accessions at their meeting of days at Colclough's School House. They expect to build this Fall. They will organize or revive the old church on Saturday before the second Sabbath in September. They have had a season of religion for one week with much success.

At Red Mountain we also have no church, but the brethren propose to move old Shady Hill Church down and organize at an early date.

At Union Grove we have organized a church, and after a little repair they will have a good house of worship.

At Orange Factory there is a house of worship, which we use whenever we so desire.

As a Board, we recommend to the Association that a continuation of this work be carried on, as the prospects are bright for a glorious work on our borders.

Our financial condition is as follows :

Days of service by Bro. Jesse Howell, from October 12th, 1878, to September 1st, 1879, 294 days,		$ 294 00
Paid Bro. Howell,	$75 00	
" " "	66 00	
" " "	53 26	
		194 26
		$ 99 74
On hand,	$100 82	
Due Bro. Howell,	99 74	
		$ 1 08

L. O. LOUGEE, Secretary.

Report was adopted.

On motion the Association proceeded to appoint a Mission Committee for the ensuing year, as follows:

ANTIOCH—H. M. C. Stroud.
BETHEL—H. C. Andrews.
BEREA—W. A. Barbee.
BELVIN—M. Durham.
CANE CREEK—Sidney Cates.
CHAPEL HILL—H. P. Smith.
DURHAM—J. N. Cheek.
GRAHAM—W. A. Albright.
HILLSBORO—John Cheek.
LYSTRA—T. Cole.
MT. CARMEL—J. A. Partin.
MT. PISGAH—H. D. Mason.
MT. GILEAD—C. P. Stone.
MT. HERMON—A. Durham.
MT. MORIAH—A. B. Couch.
MOORE'S CHAPEL—C. Moore.
OLIVE'S CHAPEL—A. T. Olive.
PLEASANT GROVE—G. W. Foushee.
SANDY LEVEL—A. A. Rochell.
TRADE'S HILL—A. Garner.
MAR'S HILL—R. J. Buffaloe.
YATES'—J. W. Carlton.
UNION GROVE—F. A. Hatch.

The following ministers were appointed for the different sections:

1ST SECTION—Elder J. C. Wilson.
2D SECTION—A. C. Dixon.
3D SECTION—R. A. Patterson.
4TH SECTION—C. Durham.

Bro. H. M. C. Stroud reported the following delegates to the Baptist State Convention:

Elders J. C. Wilson, Jesse Howell, R. A. Patterson, W. B. Harrell, G. P. Moore, A. C. Dixon, J. H. Freeman, Bros. R. A. Noell, Jas. A. Graham, H. M. C. Stroud, T. D. Oldham, Wm. Cheek, C. W. Lloyd, H. P. Smith, Mark Durham, A. B. Couch, W. H. Atkins, W. T. Patterson, F. A. Hatch, H A Reams, W. C. Cole, John Carlton, Alvis Durham, A C. Hunter, W. H. Merritt, E. H. Wilson, J. W. Hackney, John Cheek and G. W. Foushee.

Report adopted.

On motion, the subject of the Graham Church is taken up. Remarks are made by Elders C. Durham, T. H. Pritchard, brothers J. W. Hackney, and W. C. Cole, and pledges are made for the liquidation of the debt to the amount of $455.00, and cash to the amount of $23.00.

Elder C. Durham reads the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The command of our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is imperative. Obedience to this injunction is our life. He has said again, "If ye love me, keep my commandments." The work in this department of christian effort has been greatly blessed. The appointments at present are for the most part those who were operating at our last meeting We should hold them in esteem for their works' sake, aiding and cheering them in their arduous toils. The Spirit of our Master was that of Missions. Let us, one and all, examine whether we have faith in Jesus Christ.

J. H. VERNON,
J. N. CHEEK,
R. A. NOELL.

On motion, the further consideration was postponed until 2 o'clock P. M.

The Association adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The subject of Foreign Missions was taken up. Remarks are submitted by Elders C. Durham and Dr. T. H. Pritchard, and the report is adopted.

On motion, the Treasurer is directed to pay to James A. Graham the moneys sent up for Graham Church.

On motion, the Clerk of this Association is directed to pay himself $10.00 for his services, and have the Minutes printed with the balance of the Associational fund, and distribute to the churches in proportion to the amount sent up by each.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer,
In account with Mt. Zion Association.

1879	DR.	
Sept. 5	Received from the Finance Committee,	$246 99
" 6	Collection for Graham Church,	23 00
	Education,	15 32
	Sunday Collection after the Missionary Sermon,	5 00
	" " at the Presbyterian Church,	5 53
	Total,	$295 84

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By cash paid J. Womble, Treasurer B. S. C.:		
Sunday Schools,	$ 1 85	
Indian Missions,	2 50	
Education,	28 76	
Foreign Missions,	20 85	
Oxford Orphan Asylum,	10 00	
Printing Minutes,	35 60	
Clerk of Association,	10 00	
By cash paid Jas. A Graham, for Graham Church,	180 75	
By cash paid Dr. Pritchard, for Education,	5 53	
		$ 295 84

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby extended to the brethren and citizens of Graham and vicinity for their generous hospitality, and to the Presbyterian and Christian churches for the use of their houses of worship.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Durham, on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1880.

Praoer, Dr. T. H. Pritchard leading.

J. P. MASON,
Moderator.

C. R. SCOTT,
Clerk and Treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATIJTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Total.	No. Vols. in Library.	Kind Words taken.
Antioch,	D. M. Durham,	8	42	50	.....	.....
Bethel,	C. W. Lloyd,	11	50	61	100	.....
Berea,	W. H. Atkins,	5	50	55	40	.....
Cane Creek.	D. M. Cates,	7	38	45	.....	.....
Chapel Hill,	A. F. Redd,	.....	100	100	.....	20
Graham,	W. A. Albright,	7	26	33	.....	.....
Hillsboro,	J. E. Jones,	7	25	32	.....	.....
Lystra,	P. M. Pearson,	5	60	65	100	.....
Mt. Carmel,	Y. A. Oldham,	5	45	50	50	.....
Mt. Pisgah,	Wm. Bachelor,	9	60	69	200	.....
Mt. Moriah,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead,	J. D. Brasington,	7	65	72	72	.....
Mt. Hermon,	A. Durham,	8	50	58	55	.....
Olive's Chapel,	H. J. Barker,	12	130	142	200	.....
Pleasant Grove,	R. C. Council,	6	40	46	50	.....
Durham,	J. T. Womble,	20	175	195	300	.....
Sandy Level,	S. D. Markham,	5	30	35	20	.....
Trade's Hill,	A. S. Garner,	10	106	116	50	.....
Belvin,	Mark Durham,	5	20	25	25	.....
Mars Hill,	R. J. Buffaloe,	5	28	30	107	.....
Moore's Chapel,	Chesley Moore,	7	37	44	.....	.....
Yates',	J. W. Proctor,	6	.....	.....	75	.....
Union Grove,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		155	1177	1263	1443	20

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICE.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Graham Church.	Minute Fund.
Antioch,	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level,	W. M. Stroud, Oaks,	2	6	...	3	2	4	1	111	$1 25	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 1 50
Bethel,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	S. C. Durham, Chapel Hill,	4	16	1	2	1	8	1	143	1 40	.....	.....	48 75	2 00
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level,	G. A. Barbee, Durham,	4	11	...	1	1	2	...	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes, Rock Spring,	3	5	1	3	...	5	4	246	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Chapel Hill,	A. C. Dixon, Chapel Hill,	A. J. McDade, Chapel Hill,	ev'y	24	7	1	2	3	...	177	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	2 00
Graham,	.....	J. A. Graham, Graham,	.....	7	1	...	4	1	1	25	.....	.....	1 85	.....	1 50
Hillsboro,	.....	J. M. Blackwood, Hillsboro	.....	.....	...	...	3	...	...	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Lystra,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	Y. A. Oldham, Chapel Hill	1	14	1	...	2	2	6	152	.....	.....	.....	5 00	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro,	J. M. Riggsbee, " "	2	.....	...	...	4	6	1	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beaviss, Green Level	4	16	1	...	1	1	1	262	.....	.....	.....	70 00	5 00
Mt. Moriah,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	W. T. Patterson,	2	.....	3	...	2	1	...	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mt. Gilead,	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks,	J. Q. Bryan, Pittsboro,	3	46	2	...	1	...	2	132	.....	.....	.....	20 00	2 00
Mt. Hermon,	J. H. Freeman, Durham,	A. C. Hunter, Univ. Stat'n	1	.....	2	1	1	...	1	117	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Olive's Chapel,	Johnson Olive, Apex,	H. J. Barker, New Hill,	3	5	2	...	2	2	1	184	1 20	44	.....	.....	2 50
Pleasant Grove,	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro,	R. C. Council, Elm Grove,	1	8	3	...	5	1	...	123	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Durham,	C. Durham, Durham,	W. J. Christian, Durham,	ev'y	10	19	1	4	7	1	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20
Sandy Level,	R. A. Patterson, Oaks,	W. A. J. Rochel, Durham,	4	5	2	1	1	...	2	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Trade's Hill,	S. W. Mitchell, Green Level	A. Johnson, Merry Oaks,	2	10	7	...	...	1	...	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Belvin,	R. A. Patterson, Oaks,	J. S. Durham, Stagville,	3	.....	1	...	2	...	1	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Mars Hill,	.....	Jesse Miller, Hillsboro,	.....	.....	...	...	3	...	1	67	.....	3 00	.....	.....	1 50
Moore's Chapel,	R. A. Patterson, Oaks,	J.H.Winingham, S'x'p'h'w	2	3	2	...	...	1	...	39	.....	.....	.....	14 00	1 00
Yates',	J. A. Vernon, Roxboro,	J. W. Carlton, Durham,	2	.....	...	...	1	1	1	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05
Union Grove,	.....	F. A. Hatch, Orange Fact'ry	.....	8	4	...	...	...	...	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
				194	59	13	42	46	25	2492	15 85	13 44	1 85	157 75	$45 60

Churches contributed as follows: For Indian Missions, Mt. Gilead, $2.50; Oxford Orphan Asylum, Chapel Hill, $10.00.

FINANCIAL TABLE OF THE MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	No. copies of Recorder.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sabbath Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum.	Graham Church.	Yellow Fever Sufferers.	Other Objects.	Total Amount.
Antioch,	$100 00	$59 00	$.....	5	$ 1 00	$ 1 25	$ 1 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 162 25
Bethel,	100 00	28 20	2 30	4	2 00	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 75	.....	.....	200 75
Berea,	60 00	100 00	.....	.....	1 30	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163 30
Cane Creek,	142 00	60 00	.....	8	3 00	13 46	.....	.....	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	234 46
Chapel Hill,	650 00	60 00	30 00	29	2 00	36 20	43 38	27 69	15 00	.....	9 40	.....	13 35	25 00	912 02
Graham,	150 87	20 45	.....	.....	1 50	.....	2 80	.....	12 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	190 62
Hillsboro,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	24 75	8 00	6 25	4 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 48	49 48
Lystra	100 00	.....	.....	8	2 00	7 35	.....	.....	.....	10 75	.....	5 00	.....	.....	125 10
Mt. Carmel,	75 00	12 00	.....	3	1 05	2 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 25
Mt. Pisgah,	125 00	11 80	.....	25	5 00	35 20	2 50	12 50	11 50	.....	.....	70 00	.....	2 00	260 50
Mt. Moriah,	60 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 50
Mt. Gilead,	75 00	21 00	.....	6	2 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	16 15	.....	20 00	.....	.....	149 15
Mt. Hermon,	.....	.....	.....	1	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	8 00	1 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 85
Olive's Chapel,	75 00	8 80	5 00	6	2 50	13 50	2 25	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	132 88
Pleasant Grove,	60 00	.....	.....	8	4 00	5 35	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 85
Durham,	800 00	322 00	27 60	25	2 00	610 00	96 00	80 00	85 47	17 00	15 50	.....	.....	10,675 00	12,732 57
Sandy Level,	70 00	20 00	.....	2	1 50	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92 50
Trade's Hill,	40 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 50
Belvin,	50 00	.....	.....	2	1 00	15 00	.....	.....	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 25
Mars Hill,	.....	.....	.....	3	1 50	10 00	50	3 00	7 50	50	15 50	.....	.....	10 31	48 31
Moore's Chapel,	.....	.....	.....	3	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 00	.....	.....	15 00
Yates',	100 00	133 50	.....	5	1 05	5 00	2 95	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	257 50
Union Grove,	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25
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Elder J. P. Mason, Moderator, Chapel Hill, N. C.
C. R. Scott, Clerk and Treasurer, Williams' Mills, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Elder	J. C. Wilson,	Merry Oaks,	N. C.
"	J. P. Mason,	Chapel Hill,	"
"	Jesse Howell,	Green Level,	"
"	R. A. Patterson,	Oaks,	"
"	G. P. Moore,	Pittsboro,	"
"	W. B. Harrell,	Durham,	"
"	C. Durham,	"	"
"	J. H. Freeman,	"	"
"	W. L. Wright,	Graham,	"

PROCEEDINGS.

DURHAM BAPTIST CHURCH, Orange Co., N. C.,

Tuesday, August 24th, 1880.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association met in its eleventh annual session at Durham Church, Orange county, N. C.

Elder J. P. Mason preached the Introductory Sermon from Malachi, iii: 16.

The congregation was dismissed until 2½ o'clock, P. M.

TUESDAY, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Association was called to order by Elder J. P. Mason, our former Moderator.

By request Bro. N. B. Broughton and W. L. Wright acted as Reading Clerks.

The Churches were then called, their letters read, and their delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—No letter.
Berea—Jackson Pope, Patrick Massey, Jackson Barbee.
Bethel—W. H. Lloyd, Merritt Cheek, W. V. Andrews.
Belvin—Mark Durham, J. S. Durham, J. G. Durham.
Cane Creek—Wm. Cheek, T. D. Oldham, D. M. Sikes.
Chapel Hill—Wm. C. Creel, C. Bishop, L. J. Weaver, J. Y. Merritt, Robert Bryant.
Durham—J. L. Markham, Wm. Lynn, L. O. Lougee.
Graham—W. A. Albright, John Underwood.
Hillsboro—John Cheek, E. D. Cheek, J. E. Jones.
Lystra—P. M. Pearson, W. C. Cole, J. C. Horton, J. W Riggsbee.
Mt. Carmel—A. Daniel, M. B. Merritt, J. M. Riggsbee.
Mt. Pisgah—H. Sears, C. E. Beavers, J. G. Harward, J. P. Scott.
Mt. Moriah—Henry S. Markham, A. B. Couch, Wm Couch.
Mt. Gilead—C. P. Stone, J. W. Hackney, J. M. Griffin, Wm. Temple.
Mt. Hermon—A. C. Hunter, H. C. McCauley, J. B. Christian.
Moore's Chapel—Chesley Moore, J. H. Winningham, T. J. Stroud.
Mar's Hill—J. W. Holloway, R J. Buffaloe, A. A. Compton.
Olive's Chapel—S. G. Wilson, A. T. Olive, H. C. Barker, J. C. Olive.
Pleasant Grove—M. T. Horton, S. Eubanks, R. C. Council, M. Mills.
Roberson's Grove—A. G. Ferrell, J. P. Roberson, J. F. McDuffey.
Rose of Sharon—Simpson Browning, R. M. Jones, W. E. Martin.
Sandy Level—S. D. Markham, John R. Ross, R. S. Ross, W. A. J. Rochell.
Spring Hill—Wm. J. Hackney, T. C. Council.
Trade's Hill—A. Johnson, A. H. Garner.
Yates'—J. W. Carlton, Henry Pickett, T. S. McCauley.

Ministers present, members of this Association, to-wit: Elders J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson, R. A. Patterson, W. L. Wright, C. Durham, J. H. Freeman and W. B. Harrell.

The Association proceeded to the election of a Moderator by appointing Bro. N. B. Broughton and Elder W. L. Wright as tellers, who reported no election on the first balloting, and on the second balloting they reported Elder J. P. Mason elected.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us, and Bro. N. B. Broughton, of the Raleigh Association, Dr. T. H. Pritchard, of the Central and President of Wake Forest College, Elder J. B. Boone, of the South Yadkin Association, Elder T. Harrison, from Greensboro and agent for Foreign Missions, Elder W. R. Gwaltney, from the Raleigh Association, and Prof. C. E. Taylor, from Wake Forest College, accepted the invitation.

Petitions were called for, and the following Churches presented letters, viz: Rose of Sharon, Spring Hill, and Roberson's Grove, which were read and referred to the following Committee, to-wit: Elders J. C. Wilson, W. L. Wright and C. Durham.

On motion, the following committee were appointed on the order of business, to-wit: Elder C. Durham, Bros. L. O. Lougee and J. L. Markham.

On motion, the following committees were then appointed, to-wit:

On Finance—Bros. L. O. Lougee, W. C. Cole, Chesley Moore.

On Foreign Missions—Elders T. Harrison, J. C. Wilson, Bro. John L. Markham.

On Education—Prof. C. E. Taylor, Rev. R. T. Bryant, Elder W. L. Wright.

On time and place and stated services of next Association—Bros. J. W. Hackney, C. E. Beavers, S. Eubanks.

On Sunday Schools—Bros. N. B. Broughton, A. B. Couch, W. H. Lloyd.

On Delegates to Baptist State Convention—Elder J. C. Wilson, Bros. R. C. Council, A. C. Hunter.

On State Missions—Elders W. R. Gwaltney, J. B. Boone, J. H. Freeman.

On Periodicals—Elder H. Hatcher, Bros. T. D. Oldham, M. Durham.

On motion, the subject of Ministerial Education was made the special order for to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

The committee on the order of business made the following report:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. The Association shall meet at 9 o'clock A. M., for prayer, 9½ o'clock A. M. for Associational business, take recess from 12 to 2½ o'clock P. M.
2. Call roll of Delegates.
3. Read and if necessary correct the minutes of the preceding day.
4. Extend invitation to visiting brethren.
5. Call for reports of Correspondents.
6. Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations.
7. Call for reports of Committees.
8. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
9. Take up other business as it may be presented.

Respectfully submitted,

C. DURHAM,
L. O. LOUGEE,
JOHN L. MARKHAM,
Committee.

On motion, the Pastor and Deacons of Durham Church were appointed a committee on religious exercises for this session of the Association.

The committee on petitionary letters made the following report:

REPORT ON PETITIONARY LETTERS.

We recommend that the Spring Hill, Rose of Sharon and Roberson's Grove Churches be received and their delegates recognized. We also recommend that Roberson's Grove Church adopt our articles of faith as set forth in the manual of this Association, and that they place this upon their Church Book.

Respectfully submitted,

C. DURHAM,
J. C. WILSON,
W. L. WRIGHT,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted, and the right hand of fellowship given to the delegates by the Moderator.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. Mark Durham.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 25th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in prayer, Elder J. Boone conducting it.

The Moderator then called the Association to order, the roll was called, and the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Visiting brethren were again invited to seats, and Elder H. Hatcher, of the *Recorder*, and Elder J. E. Montague, from the Flat River Association, accepted the invitation.

On motion, the Moderator appointed a Mission committee, as follows:

FIRST SECTION—J. C. WILSON, Chairman.

Mt. Pisgah—H. D. Mason.
Olive Chapel—H. J. Barker.
Pleasant Grove—G. W. Foushee.
Trade' Hill—A. Johnson.
Mt. Gilead—C. P. Stone.
Spring Hill—W. J. Hackney.

SECOND SECTION—J. P. MASON, Chairman.

Antioch—A. M. C. Stroud.
Bethel—J. S. Newels.
Lystra—W. C. Cole.
Mt. Carmel—Wm. Cheek.
Chapel Hill—H. P. Smith.

THIRD SECTION—R. A. PATTERSON, Chairman.

Cane Creek—A. P. Cates.
Graham—W. A. Albright.
Hillsboro—John Cheek.
Mar's Hill—R. J. Buffaloe.
Mt. Moriah—A. B. Couch.
Moore's Chapel—Chesley Moore.

FOURTH SECTION—C. DURHAM, Chairman.

Mt. Hermon—A. C. Hunter.
Durham—J. N. Cheek.
Belvin—Mark Durham.
Sandy Level—S. D. Markham.
Berea—W. A. Barbee.
Yates'—J. W. Carlton.
Robertson's Grove—J. A. Ferrell.
Rose of Sharon—S. Browning.

Corestpondents to sister Associations reported. R. J. Buffaloe atended the Flat River.

The hour for the special order having arrived, it was taken up, and Elder W. L. Wright read the report on Education, as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

It is gratifying to know that our College at Wake Forest is in a more prosperous condition than ever before. During the last session there were 171 students present, of whom 30 were young ministers and 12 were beneficiaries It is to be hoped that those who control the College will not be satisfied until, in point of equipment, instruction and patronage, it is abreast of any College in the United States. The Baptists of North Carolina have both the young men and the means to make it so.

Bro. M. V. McDuffie has been supported by our Association for the past two years. He gives promise of being a useful minister of the Gospel, and we hope that the churches will again assume his support.

The members of the church at Durham have supported another young minister.

In view of the large number of applicants for assistance, could not our Association enlarge its contributions to this object? The Baptists of

North Carolina are fortunate in having three excellent female schools within their borders. The Colleges at Thomasville, Oxford and Murfreesborough are all worthy of patronage.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. TAYLOR,
W. L. WRIGHT,
R. G. BRYAN,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Prof. C. E. Taylor, Dr. T. H. Pritchard, Elders W. R. Gwaltney, C. Durham, H. Hatcher and Bro. J. L. Markham.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That any brother visiting any of the Associations be considered corresponding delegates from this Association.

On motion, a committee was appointed to investigate the letter from Union Grove Church and their standing in this Association, consisting of Elders C. Durham, W. L. Wright and J. C. Wilson.

On motion, the subject of Foreign Missions was made the special order for to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Bro. L. O. Lougee read the following report:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Minute Fund,	$43 70
State Missions,	3 08
Foreign Missions,	13 38
Education,	18 14
Graham Church,	9 00
Total,	$87 30

L. O. LOUGEE,
W. C. COLE,
CHESLEY MOORE,
Committee.

Elder H. Hatcher read the following report:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee would urge the members of our churches to supply themselves with an abundance of good reading matter. We must be informed if we would be efficient servants of Christ. We commend the BIBLICAL RECORDER, our State organ, as worthy of a place in every Saptist family. We also recommend *Kind Words* as a Sunday School paper and the *Foreign Mission Journal*. Respectfully submitted,

MARK DURHAM,
T. D. OLDHAM,
H. HATCHER,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder H. Hatcher and Bro. N. B. Broughton.

The Association then adjourned until 2½ oclock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2½ o'clock P. M.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The subject of Periodicals was resumed and the report adopted.

The following brethren were invited to seats with us, viz: A. J. Buffaloe, of the Central Association, and Elder N. A. Purefoy, of the Raleigh. Accepted.

Elder J. B. Boone read the following report:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of the State Mission Board is mainly divided into three sections. 1st. The Pamlico section, in which Revs. J. D. Hufham, R. T. Vann, J. E. Carter, T. Carrick and others are employed to labor part of their time. 2d. The section on the line of C. C. Railroad, in which Revs. W. T. Jordan, E. L. Davis and others are employed a part of their time. 3d. The Western section, including High Point, Mt. Airy, Salisbury, Mooresville, Hickory, &c., are occupied by Revs. J. B. Richardson, C. C. Haymore, J. B. Boone, T. J. Rooke and J. R. Jones.

In all of these sections there has been a good measure of success. While the field seems in one sense an extensive one, yet there are calls for many other places that have to be turned away for want of funds, and still the work looms up before us and calls aloud for greatly extended operations. Respectfully submitted,

W. R. GWALTNEY,
J. B. BOONE,
J. H. FREEMAN,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders W. R. Gwaltney and J. B. Boone.

On motion, Elder J. B. Boone was allowed to take up a collection to aid Salisbury Church, which amounted to $52.72. Further remarks were made by Elder C. Durham. Report adopted.

The committee on the letter of Union Grove Church reported as follows:

REPORT ON UNION GROVE CHURCH.

This church was received at our last Association with the understanding that they would adopt and put upon their Church Book our articles

of faith. This has not been done. We recommend that the brethren and sisters at that place transfer their membership to the nearest churches.

C. DURHAM,
J. C. WILSON,
W. L. WRIGHT,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Bro. J. W. Hackney read the report on time and place of next Association, as follows:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Mt. Gilead Church as the place, and Thursday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1881, as the time. Elder R. A. Patterson to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder W. L. Wright to preach the Missionary sermon. Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HACKNEY,
C. E. BEAVERS,
SIDNEY EUBANKS,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder J. C. Wilson. Report adopted.

Bro. N. B. Broughton read the following report:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools have examined the letters sent up by the churches, and find that while we have a church membership in this Association of 2,391, we have only 1,350 officers, teachers and pupils in the Sunday Schools, and we presume two-thirds of these are not of the church membership number; so that 1,941 members of the churches of this Association are not connected with the Sunday School. Is the Sunday School a part of the church work? Then there are 1,941 of our brethren and sisters out of duty. We rejoice that the work in this Association is gradually on the increase and becomes more and more efficient, but much more remains to be done. Let us renew our energies in this part of Christ's cause. Respectfully submitted,

N. B. BROUGHTON,
W. H. LLOYD,
A. B. COUCH,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Bro. N. B. Broughton, Elder R. A. Patterson and Bro. W. A. Albright. Report adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by W. A. Albright.

Dr. T. H. Pritchard made a talk on Wednesday night in behalf of Education, and a collection was taken up for that purpose amounting to $9.75 in cash.

THURSDAY, Aug. 26th, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Association convened at 9 o'clock and spent half an hour in prayer, Elder T. Harrison conducting it.

The Moderator then called the Association to order, the roll was called and the absentees noted.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, to wit:

WHEREAS, It is known to this Association that there are difficulties in the church at Antioch which it seems the brethren there will not be likely soon to settle; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend to the Antioch church that they hold a conference meeting, and ask for a committee of nine from other Baptist churches, to whom these difficulties shall be referred, and that the church be govered by the decision of said ccmmittee.

On motion, the following committee was appointed on Education, viz:

Antioch—~~D.~~ M. Durham.
Berea—~~G. A.~~ Barbee.
Chapel Hill—L. J. Weaver.
Hillsboro—J. E. Jones.
Mt. Carmel—J. M. Rigsbee.
Mt. Moriah—Thos Carroll.
Mt. Hermon—A. A. Lyneh.
Pleasant Grove—S. Eubanks.
Sandy Level—John Ross.
Melvin—James F. Bailey.
Moore's Chapel—~~T. J. Stroud.~~
Rose of Sharon—John Roley.
Roberson's Grove—J. F. McDuffy.
Bethel—H. C. Andrews.
Cane Creek—D. M. Sykes.
Graham—Jas. A. Graham.
Lystra—J. C. Horton.
Mt. Pisgah—C. E. Beavers.
Mt. Gilead—J. M. Griffin.
Olive's Chapel—S. G. Wilson.
Durham—J. L. Markham
Trade's Hill—James Thomas.
Mar's Hill—~~J. W. Holloway.~~
Yates'—Henry Picket.
Spring Hill—T. C. Council.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Elder T. Harrison read the following report:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee beg leave to submit that the reports of the Missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention are very greatly encouraging, not only as regards the preaching of the Word, but also as regards the day schools taught by our noble Sisters who have gone out with them, and who have made the Holy Bible the text-book of their schools, thus setting us a worthy example that we would do well to imitate. Everywhere that the influence of our Missionaries has been felt, the people are earnestly begging for more and still more preaching of the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; and even where they have never been, the "Macedonian cry" comes to them on every breeze, earnesly praying for the bread of life. Never before in all the world has there been so propitious an opportunity of reaching the nations of the earth; and never before have there been such earnest calls upon us for liberal contributions to this God appointed work. It therefore behooves us, as followers of Jesus Christ, fervently to pray, earnestly to labor, and cheer-

fully to sacrifice for this glorious work. Brethren, the cause needs help. Let us all do what we can to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. WILSON,
JNO. L. MARKHAM,
T. HARRISON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder T. Harrison, Dr. T. H. Pritchard and W. L. Wright.

Pending the motion to adopt, a collection was taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $16.00. Report adopted.

On motion, a committee was appointed to prepare some suitable obituary of the lives and deaths of Elders G. W. Purefoy and Samuel Baldwin, who have departed this life since the meeting of our last Association, and to report at our next meeting of the Association, consisting of Elders J. C. Wilson, W. R. Gwaltney and Bro. T. D. Oldham.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 2½ o'clock, P. M., to hear the Missionary sermon preached by Elder J. C. Wilson, at 11 o'clock, from Haggai i:2; Zachariah iv:6. After which a collection was taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $6.06.

Bro. L. O. Lougee then read the report, as follows:

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF MISSION BOARD.

DEAR BRETHREN: At your Mission Committee's meeting at Graham we chose Elder R. A. Patterson as our Missionary, whose report for the first quarter at Berea showed the organization of two churches and seven baptisms. At this meeting we discontinued the plans of the Missionary work with the exception of some appointments already made. At our meeting at Antioch church we decided not to employ any more Missionaries, but changed our plan by appropriating the needed amount necessary to carry on the work at any point we thought it expedient to occupy.

Under the adoption of this motion an appropriation of $50.00 was authorized to be paid to Elder W. L. Wright for half of his time at Graham, which has not yet been paid. At Pleasant Grove church the committee made an appropriation of $25.00 in part payment of Elder R. A. Patterson's service at Roberson's Grove church, one of the newly constituted churches of our Mission work, which has been paid.

FINANCES.

On hand at last report,		$1 08
Collection,		6 00
Paid in by Churches		98 51
		$105 59
Paid R. A. Patterson,	$33 50	
" " "	8 25	
Paid for Postal Cards,	25	
Paid R. A. Patterson for Church,	25 00	
		$ 67 00
Balance in the hands of the Clerk,		$ 38 59

L. O. LOUGEE, *Clerk.*

Elder J. C. Wilson read the report on delegates to Baptist State Convention as follows:

REPORT ON DELEGATES.

Elder R. A. Patterson, Bros. A. P. Stroud. P. H. Smith, Dr. A. B. Roberson. John Cheek. J. M. Griffin, C. P. Stone, A. Johnson, G. W. Foushee, S. Eubanks, Marion Mills, William Olive, J. F. Williams, R. H. Beavers, Elders C. Durham, J. P. Mason, Jesse Howell, G. P. Moore, Bros. R. T. Howerton, T. J. Risggsbee, John C. Strayhorn, O. B. Foushee, S. Browning, J. E. Jones, John B. Riggsbee, W. A. Albright, J. F. McDuffy, W. L. Wright. Respectfully submitted,

J. C. WILSON,
R. C. COUNCIL,
A. C. HUNTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

On motion, the Clerk of this Association was directed to pay himself $10.00 for his services and have the Minutes printed with the balance of the Associational fund, and distribute to the churches in proportion to the amount sent up from each.

On motion, a committee was appointed consisting of Jno. L. Markham, J. H. Cheek and C. Durham, to get up a form of Church Letters and report at next Association.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer,

In Account with MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

1880.	DR.		
August 25.	Received from the Finance Committee,.....		$ 87 30
" "	Collection for Education,.....		9 75
" 26	" for Foreign Missions,.....		22 06
	Total,.....		$119 11
	CR.		
By cash paid B. F. Montague, Treas. B. S. C., State Mis.,		$ 3 08	
" " " " " Education,		27 89	
" " " James A. Graham for Graham Church,...		9 00	
By cash paid T. Harrison, Agt. for Foreign M. B.,.....		35 44	
" " " for printing Minutes,.....		33 70	
" " " Clerk of Association,.....		10 00	
			$119 11

C. R. SCOTT, *Treas.*

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Mt. Gilead, Chatham county, on Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in September, 1881.

Prayer by Elder N. A. Purefoy.

J. P. MASON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, Clerk and Treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Total.	No. of Vols. in Library.
Bethel,	W. V. Andrews,	6	40	46	100
Berea,	Wm. H. Atkins,	5	70	75	30
Belvin,	J. S. Durham,	5	20	25	.....
Cane Creek,	Nereous Cales,	5	20	25	.....
Chapel Hill,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Durham,	J. T. Womble,	20	225	245	400
Graham,	W. A. Albright,	6	25	31	.....
Hillsboro,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lystra,	P. M. Pearson,	5	45	50	100
Mt. Carmel,	J. M. Riggsbee,	4	50	54	50
Mt. Pisgah,	Wm. Bachelor,	9	60	69	200
Mt. Moriah,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead,	J. D. Brasington,	8	56	64	.....
Mt. Hermon,	J. C. Strayhorn,	8	50	58	55
Moore's Chapel,	Chesley Moore,	8	32	40	.....
Mars Hill,	J. W. Holloway,	4	12	16	106
Olive's Chapel,	J. H. Olive,	8	56	64	100
Pleasant Grove,	E. H. Holloman,	8	55	63	50
Roberson's Grove,	J. F. McDiffey,	11	75	86	75
Rose of Sharon,	Noah Cheek,	8	60	68	50
Sandy Level,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trade's Hill,	A. S. Garner,	6	75	81	50
Yates',	L. O. Lougee,	10	60	70	75
	Total,	134	1086	1230	1449

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICE.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE.	Sabbaths of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Graham Church.	Minute Fund.
Antioch,.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	$ 1 00
Bethel,.....	J P Mason, Chap Hill	W V Andrews, Ch Hill	4th,	...	1	...	2	2	2	136	$.....	$1 02	.....	...	.....	2 00
Berea,.....	M S Ferrell, Gr Level	G A Barbee, Durham,	4th,	9	1	...	3	1	...	92	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1 70
Belvin,.....	R A Patterson, Oaks,	J S Durham, Fishdam	3rd,	1	...	...	1	2	...	30	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1 00
Cane Creek,.....	J P Mason, Chap Hill	D M Sykes, Rock Spr'g	3rd,	20	5	...	4	4	3	260	.....	1 81	.....	...	.....	2 00
Chapel Hill,.....	R Bryan, "	A J McDade, Ch Hill,	.....	...	3	...	5	1	2	169	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2 00
Durham,.....	C Durham, Durham,	W J Christian, Durham	ev'y	11	24	1	8	2	5	221	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	4 00
Graham,.....	W L Wright, Hillsb'o	J A Graham, Graham	1, 3,	...	2	...	...	...	...	27	2 00	.....	$ 5 00	...	.....	1 00
Hillsboro,.....	W L Wright, "	J E Jones, Hillsboro,	2, 4,	2	2	...	1	...	...	39	4 73	.....	2 14	...	$9 00	1 50
Lystra,.....	J P Mason, Chap Hill	Y A Oldham, Ch Hill	1st,	...	4	1	3	2	...	152	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2 00
Mt. Carmel,.....	G. P Moore, Pittsboro	J M Riggsbee, "	4th,	4	3	2	5	8	...	88	1 40	.....	.....	...	.....	1 25
Mt. Pisgah,.....	J C Wilson, Merry Oaks,.....	J W Beavers, Williams Mills,.....	4th,	...	1	...	4	4	5	250	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	5 00
Mt. Moriah,.....	J P Mason, Chap Hill	A B Couch,.....	2nd,	...	2	...	2	2	1	85	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1 50
Mt. Gilead,.....	J C Wilson, Merry Oaks,.....	J D Brasington, Pittsboro,.....	3rd,	...	5	...	9	3	...	129	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2 00
Mt. Hermon,.....	J Howell, Green Level	A C Hunter, University Station,.....	3rd,	4	2	...	3	...	...	101	.....	.....	5 00	...	.....	1 50
Moore's Chapel..	R A Patterson, Oaks,	J H Winningham, Saxapahaw,.....	4th,	1	4	5	...	...	...	44	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1 25
Mars Hill,.....	W L Wright, Hillsb'o	Jesse Miller, Hillsb'o	2nd,	...	...	...	2	...	2	41	.....	.....	1 00	...	.....	1 50

Olive's Chapel,...	Johnson Olive, Apex,	H J Barker, New Hill	3rd,	4	4	1	8	2	5	178	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	2	50
Pleasant Grove,..	G P Moore, Pittsboro,	R C Council, Elm G've	1st,	2	3	...	...	2	2	125	5 00	.....	5 00	...	.....	2	50
Roberson's Gr've	R A Patterson, Oaks,	Alex Colclough, Fish Dam,.....	2nd,	10	6	...	...	...	...	28	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	00
Rose of Sharon,	J Howell, Green Level	S Browning, Durham,	2nd,	11	1	...	...	...	...	33	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	00
Sandy Level,.....	J Howell, Green Level	W A Rochell, "	1st,	...	1	...	1	1	...	52	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	50
Spring Hill,.....	O Churchill, Haywood	W J Hackney, Grove,	4th,	...	...	...	...	...	1	14	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	00
Trade's Hill,.....	G P Moore, Pittsboro	A Johnson, M'y Oaks	4th,	...	5	...	2	1	...	68	25	25	.....	...	.....	1	00
Yates',.....	....	J W Carlton, Durham	1, 3,	3	1	1	1	1	...	25	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	00
		Total,.....		82	60	11	64	38	28	2389	$13 38	$3 08	$18 14	...	$9 00	$43	70

Financial Table of the Mt. Zion Association.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	No. copies Recorder taken.	d.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sabbath Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum.	Graham Church.	Other Objects.	Total.
Antioch,	$	$	$		$1 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Bethel,	100 00			4	2 00	11 25	2 38							115 68
Berea,	60 00		3 50	7	1 70				3 55					68 75
Belvin,	40 00			1	1 00	5 00								46 00
Cane Creek,	125 00				2 00	6 60						20 00		153 60
Chapel Hill,					2 00				48 50					50 50
Durham,	800 00	366 50	70 00	27	4 00	195 06	34 48	172 20	132 24	21 00	18 50		2000 00	3,813 98
Graham,	38 00	7 95		3	1 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	13 42	3 00				78 37
Hillsboro,	250 00					7 45	6 73	32 50			1 63	10 00		308 31
Lystra,	100 00			10	2 00	8 13	2 91		83	9 30				123 17
Mt. Carmel,	75 00			3	1 25	1 40	1 35							79 00
Mt. Pisgah,	125 00	5 00		32	5 00	20 00	15 00	10 00	3 05			40 00		223 05
Mt. Moriah,	75 00				1 50	4 90	1 00						9 00	100 40
Mt. Gilead,	77 00				2 00	7 70							33 50	110 20
Mt. Hermon,	60 00	25 00		1	1 50	2 50		5 60	3 60	2 30				99 90
Moore's Chapel,	25 00	767 52		3	1 25	3 00								796 77
Mars Hill,					1 50	5 00	3 10	1 00	6 60			11 00	6 25	34 45
Olive's Chapel,	75 00	16 75	5 00	6	2 50									99 25
Pleasant Grove,	60 00	20 00		10	2 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	6 42					106 92
Roberson's "	25 00	2 75		5	1 00	326 80			17 35					373 00
Rose of Sharon,	50 00	86 70			1 00			5 00	10 00					152 70
Sandy Level,	60 00	5 00			1 50									66 50
Spring Hill,					1 00									1 00
Trade's Hill,			25	4	1 00	25	25							1 75
Yates',				5	1 00	12 40								13 40
Total,	$2220 00	$1303 17	$78 75	121	$43 70	$632 40	$77 20	$235 70	$245 56	$35 60	$20 13	$81 00	$2048 75	$7020 42

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Ordained Ministers.

Elder	J. C. WILSON	Merry Oaks,	N. C.
"	J. P. MASON	Chapel Hill,	"
"	JESSE HOWELL	Green Level,	"
"	R. A. PATTERSON	Gath,	"
"	G. P. MOORE	Pittsboro,	"
"	C. DURHAM	Durham	"
"	J. H. FREEMAN	Durham,	"
"	W. L. WRIGHT	Hillsboro,	"
"	N. B. COBB	Chapel Hill,	"
"	R. T. BRYAN	Chapel Hill,	"

PROCEEDINGS.

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH, CHATHAM CO., N. C.
THURSDAY, September 22d, 1881.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association met in its twelfth annual session at Mt. Gilead Church, Chatham county, N. C. Elder R. A. Patterson preached the Introductory Sermon from John 20: 29.

The congregation was dismissed for one hour.

THURSDAY, 1½ O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association was called to order by Elder J. P. Mason, our former Moderator.

By request, Elders C. Durham and W. L. Wright acted as Reading Clerks.

The Churches were called, their letters read, and their delegates enrolled, as follows:

Antioch—W. G. Eubanks, William Fowler.
Berea—P. H. Massey.
Bethel—H. W. Lloyd.
Belvin—Mark Durham.
Cane Creek—Wm. Cheek, D. M. Sykes, A. P. Cates, Chesley Andrews.
Chapel Hill—Jno. W. Boon, W. G. Weaver, H. P. Smith, P. P. Booker, Lock. Craig.
Durham—T. J. Riggsbee, J. N. Cheek, L. O. Lougee, E. C. Hackney.
Hillsboro—John Cheek, J. E. Jones.
Lystra—A. J. Riggsbee, G. O. Cole, P. M. Pearson, Zimri Riggsbee.
Mt. Carmel—E. H. Goodwin, Hiram Stone.
Mt. Pisgah—L. D. Baucom, H. Sears, J. W. Beavers, R. S. Stone.
Mt. Moriah—Charles Carrol, Wm. Couch, Geo. Pendergrass.
Mt. Gilead—E. H. Ward, Jackson Griffin, S. L. Herndon, Wiley Neal.
Mt. Hermon—J. C. Strayhorn, Levi H. Neal.
Moore's Chapel—Green Moore, George C. Guthrie, Stephen Bivens.
Mars' Hill—Letter, but no delegate.
Olive's Chapel—Merrell Olive, Cader Olive, James C. Branch, H. C. Barker.
Pleasant Grove—W. L. Pope, Needham Beckwith, L. H. Harward, G. W. Foushee.
Roberson's Grove—Thomas Kerr, J. F. McDuffie.
Rose of Sharon—S. Browning, J. L. Scott.
Sandy Level—R. J. Hall, John R. Ross, E. A. Rochell, W. E. Glenn.
Spring Hill—W. J. Hackney, G. B. Roberson, T. C. Council, L. S. Andrews.
Trade's Hill—C. D. Moore, A. S. Garner, L. D. H. Mitchell, T. L. Lasater.
Yates—Henry Pickett, J. W. Cole.

Ministers present, members of this Association, Elders J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson, R. A. Patterson, N. B. Cobb, W. L. Wright, C. Durham, R. T. Bryant, G. P. Moore.

The Association then proceeded to the election of a Moderator by appointing Bros. L. O. Lougee and W. L. Wright as tellers, who reported Elder J. P. Mason elected.

Visiting Brethren invited to seats with us. Elder J. S. Purefoy, from the Central Association, and representing the Wingate Memorial Hall, Elder R. A. Moore, from the Liberty Association, Elder M. S. Ferrell, from the Raleigh Association, Elder J. H. Vernon, from the Beulah Association, Elder C. S. Farriss, from the Central Association, and representing the BIBLICAL RECORDER, and Bro. R. P. Johnson, from the Sandy Creek Association, accepted.

On motion, the following committees were appointed:

On Finance—L. O. Lougee, L. D. Baucom, John Cheek.
On Foreign Missions—C. Durham, J. E. Jones, S. Browning.
On Education—J. S. Purefoy, W. L. Wright, H. Sears
On Time and Place and Stated Service of the next Association—R. A. Patterson, J. N. Cheek, S. Browning.
On Sunday Schools—N. B. Cobb, C. S. Farriss, R. A. Moore.
On Delegates to Baptist State Convention—J. C. Wilson, J. W. Hackney, A. J. Riggsbee.
On State Missions—W. L. Wright, R. A. Patterson, Wm. Cheek.
On Periodicals—C. S. Farriss, N. B. Cobb, J. C. Wilson.
On Order of Business—L. O. Lougee, R. A. Patterson, J. C. Wilson.

On motion, the subject of Foreign Missions was made the special order for to-morrow morning, eleven o'clock.

On motion a committee was appointed on Constitutional Amendments, consisting of Elders C. Durham, N. B. Cobb and W. L. Wright.

The committee on Order of Business reported as follows:

1st. The Association shall meet at 9½ o'clock a m. for prayer, and at 10 o'clock a. m. for Associational business; take recess from 12 to 1½ o'clock p. m.
2nd. Call the roll of delegates.
3rd. Read, and if necessary, correct the minutes of the preceding day.
4th. Extend the invitation to visiting brethren.
5th. Call for reports of committees.
6th. Take up other business as it may be presented.

Respectfully submitted,

L. O. LOUGEE,
R. A. PATTERSON,
J. C. WILSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The Association adjourned until to-morrow morning 9½ o'clock. Prayer, Elder N. B. Cobb leading.

FRIDAY, Sept. 25th, 9½ O'clock A. M.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in prayer, Elder Vernon conducting it.

The Moderator called the Association to order. The roll of delegates was called.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats, when Brothers W. D. Watson, from the Sandy Creek Association, and C. L. Wilson, from the Central Association, accepted.

The minutes of yesterday read and corrected.

On motion, the Secretary of the Mission Board was called on to report, who reported as follows:

Since the last meeting of the Association, we have had several places looked after, but have only occupied Red Mountain, Swepson's Mill, Keith's School House and Caldwell's Grove.

We secured the services of Elder J. M. Hilliard to occupy Red Mountain Station, who has discharged his duty faithfully, having filled seven appointments. We appropriated fifty dollars for this point with what could be collected on the field. At our July meeting, a committee of three was appointed to secure some Brother to assist Bro. Hilliard in a series of meetings; the committee succeeded in getting Bro. N. R. Pittman. These meetings resulted in the baptism of twelve. The prospects are bright for a house of worship to be built this fall and a church to be organized in October. I have only paid Bro. Hilliard $25.

The services of Bro. W. L. Wright were secured to preach at Swepson's Mills monthly, for which we appropriated $50. He speaks favorably of the place, and is hopeful of a house being built at an early day. I have paid Bro. Wright $16.67.

Though Keith's School House has been occupied from time to time by different brethren, no appropriation has been made for this place. Bro. Patterson, at the May meeting, reported he had baptized six at that place, and organized an arm of Roberson's Grove. At the July meeting he was appointed to see after it and report at this meeting.

At the May meeting, we appointed Bro. J. P. Mason to occupy the point at Caldwell's Grove. We appropriated $50 for this place, and a committee was appointed to raise as much as possible of this amount on the field.

FINANCE—MISSIONS.

On hand at last report for Missions,		$ 38 59
Paid in by the churches,		203 31
Collection at Sandy Creek Union meeting,		5 36
		$247 26
Paid R. A. Patterson, balance due,	$ 1 75	
Paid W. L. Wright, for half time at Graham,	50 00	
Paid J. M. Hilliard, for Red Mountain,	12 50	
Paid for stamps and paper, &c.,	50	
Paid W. L. Wright, for Swepson's Mill,	16 67	
Paid J. M. Hilliard for Red Mountain,	12 50	
Paid for hymn books for Red Mountain,	1 25	
Paid postage on above books,	12	
Paid Bro. H. R. Pittman, for Red Mountain,	22 50	
Paid for printing Church Letters,	3 00	—120 79
Balance on hand,		$126 47

ON EDUCATION.

Received from the churches,	$100 20
Paid Treasurer Baptist State Convention,	91 91
On hand,	8 29

L. O. LOUGEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion, the Mission and Educational committees were appointed, as follows:

FIRST SECTION—J. C. Wilson, chairman.
Mt. Pisgah—C. L. Williams, L. D. Baucom.
Olive's Chapel—H. J. Barker, Johnson Olive.
Pleasant Grove—G. W. Foushee, L. H. Harward.
Trade's Hill—A. Johnson, A. S. Garner.
Mt. Gilead—C. P. Stone, N. S. Clark.
Spring Hill—W. J. Hackney, T. C. Council.
SECOND SECTION—Elder J. P. Mason, chairman.
Antioch—W. G. Uubanks, T. M. Robinson.
Bethel—J. S. Nevill, H. C. Andrews.
Lystra—W. C. Cole, J. C. Horton.
Mt. Carmel—Wm. Cheek, J. M. Riggsbee.
Chapel Hill—H. P. Smith, L. J. Weaver.
Mt. Moriah—A. B. Couch, John T. Weaver.
THIRD SECTION—Elder W. L. Wright, chairman.
Cane Creek—A. P. Cates, D. W. Sykes.
Graham—J. A. Graham, W. A. Albright.
Hillsboro—John Cheek, J. E. Jones.
Mars' Hill—J. W. Holloway, A. A. Compton.
Moore's Chapel—C. Moore, C. Guthrie.
Mt. Hermon—A. C. Hunter, J. C. Strayhorn.
FOURTH SECTION—C. Durham, chairman.
Durham—J. N. Cheek, J. L. Markham.
Belvin—Mark Durham. J. F. Bailey.
Sandy Level—R. J. Hall, John Ross.
Berea—W. H Atkins, P. H. Massey.
Yates—John W. Carlton, Henry Pickett.
Roberson's Grove—J. A. Ferrell, J. F McDuffie.
Rose of Sharon—S. Browning, John Riley.

The second Brother from each church is the committee on Education.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Elder C. Durham read the report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To successfully prosecute this great work with the best results upon our own churches, we all need to know more about it.

In the first place, we all need to understand clearly and realize keenly our Scriptural obligations—to give the Gospel to all mankind. In the second place, we all need to know Mission fields, our laborers and their condition and pressing wants; and in the third place, we need to contrast constantly the superhuman difficulties that existed in the beginning

of this century with the light, the hope, and the successful prosecution of this work, to dawn upon the churches and the nations.

Our obligations to give the Gospel to all mankind. These rest on several grounds:

1st. They rest on the grounds of *natural brotherhood.*

2nd. They rest on the ground of the union of Divine and human instrumentalities.

3rd. They rest on the ground of christian fidelity.

4th. They rest on the positive command of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In this great command, commission, as it is frequently called, note:

First, that it is based on the supreme authority of one Lord, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." A refusal to obey is resistance to God's authority. Excusable may be thought the anti-missionary or O-missionary spirit, but when seen aright it is treason against the Divine government—than which there can be no higher crime, save that of blasphemy, which has no forgiveness.

Secondly, the very highest reward is promised to those who obey this command: "And lo I am with you." The conjunction "and," is emphatic. The blessing is predicated on the performance of this sacred duty.

Thirdly, this command is clearly binding on all of the Lord's people, for the promised presence is "unto the end of the world."

Fourthly, the success of the enterprise is rendered sure by the presence of Him unto whom "all power in heaven and earth" hath been given.

Prayer and labor are by the Lord Jesus combined as privileges and obligations by which we advance the interest of his kingdom on earth.

Our Mission Fields.

China.

Canton—Here we have churches 3, total membership 357, missionaries 6—Elders R. H. Graves and wife, E. T. Simmons and wife, Miss Sallie Stein, Miss Lula Whilden—native ordained pastors 2; native assistants 10; preaching stations in the country 6; and chapels in the country 1; baptized 52; contributed $120; tracts and Bibles distributed 9,766; schools 5, with an average attendance of 106.

Shanghai—Here we have churches 2, total membership 103, missionaries 2—Elder M. T. Yates and wife—native ordained pastors 2; native assistants 4; and contributions $258.22, with frequent baptisms.

Tung Chow—Here we have churches 2, membership 120, missionaries 4—Elder T. P. Crawford and wife, Mrs. S. G. Homes, Miss Lottie Moon—native pastors 1, and schools 3.

In all China, in 1881, up to the last reports, there have been about 18,515 persons who have professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Italy.

Rome—In this city we have one church and four missionaries—Elders George B. Taylor and wife, and J. H. Eager and wife—and one native pastor. In each of eight other large cities of Italy, we have a native preacher laboring in the Master's cause, with the brighest prospects, under the general directions of Bro. George B. Taylor, of Rome.

Africa.

Here we have two missionaries and two native assistants. At Abeokuta, on 23rd of April, 1881, Rev. S. Cosby, a colored Baptist of Virginia, fell asleep. On the morning before his death he said: "I desire to go and rest with my Saviour." Bro. David's appeal to the Board for other missionaries to be sent to Africa is very strong.

BRAZIL.

In this field we have two churches and three missionaries—Elders E. H. Quillen and W. B. Bagby and wife. At one of these churches, in June, Bro. Bagby preached eight days and nights, the first meeting of this kind ever held in Brazil, and seventeen souls professed faith in Christ.

MEXICO.

In this field we have eight churches with a membership of 200, and three missionaries—Elders W. M. Flournoy, I. M. Westrup and J. P. McCullough.

CONTRAST.

Eighty years ago it was almost impossible to reach heathen nations—no railroad, no steamships, no telegraph lines, no national treaties with them, no mail facilities—and our churches were few and weak, without information, no religious newspapers, and without the spirit of missions; but now, "What hath God wrought?" Eighty years ago, in all heathen lands, there were, perhaps, fifty thousand converts, now almost two hundred thousand; then $300,000 was the yearly contributions, now almost $7,000,000; then seventy mission schools, now twelve thousand; then the Bible was in fifty languages, now in two hundred and twenty-six. The day cometh!

C. DURHAM,
J. E. JONES,
S. BROWNING,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders C. Durham and J. S. Purefoy.

The Association then adjourned until 1½ o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at one and a-half o'clock p. m.

The subject of Foreign Missions resumed; further remarks were made by Elder N. B. Cobb.

Report adopted.

On motion of Elder C. Durham, the collection to be taken after the Missionary Sermon Sunday morning be applied to Foreign Missions.

Elder Wright offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, There are a number of unworthy men passing through the country claiming to be ministers of the gospel; and whereas, we in the past have suffered and are at present suffering from having allowed such men to act in the capacity of gospel ministers; therefore

Resolved, That this Association advise all its churches to allow no man to preach in their pulpits, or in any way exercise the functions of a gospel minister, who shall not present in addition to regular credentials a recommendation from some Baptist known to the church.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders W. L. Wright, J. P. Mason and Bro. J. E. Jones.

Resolution adopted.

Elder C. Durham read the report on Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

We recommend that the following Articles be added:

ART. 12. That any member of this Association visiting other similar bodies, shall be authorized to represent us therein.

ART. 13. This Association shall be auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention in all its Educational, Mission, Sabbath School and other work.

We recommend further, that in Article 2nd, after the word annually, the following be inserted: "On Tuesday after the first Sunday in October."

C. DURHAM,
N. B. COBB,
W. L. WRIGHT,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Elder W. L. Wright read the report on State Missions, and, on motion, it was made the special order for to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Elder R. A. Patterson read the report on Place and Stated Services of next Association, to-wit:

Moore's Chapel, Alamance county, as the place. Elder N. B. Cobb to preach the Introductory sermon, and Elder C. Durham to preach the Missionary sermon.

R. A. PATTERSON,
J. N. CHEEK,
S. BROWNING,
Committee.

Elder C. Durham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association, the practice with some of our churches calling a pastor for only one year at a time is unwise and injurious alike to churches and preachers, and that we, therefore, urge the churches to call their pastors with the understanding that the relationship is to continue so long as it may be satisfactory to both parties, and in case either should determine a change. that three months', and, if possible, six months' notice, be given of the same.

Remarks were made by Elders R. A. Patterson, J. H. Vernon and Bro. J. N. Cheek, after which the resolution was adopted.

Elder C. Durham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association, the development and training of our churches is one of the most important subjects that can engage our attention, and that this greatly to be desired object can-

not be fully reached by "the once-a-month" preaching, and that we, therefore, urge all of our churches now having preaching only "once-a-month," to make every possible effort to have preaching at least two Sabbaths in each month.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder C. Durham, after which the resolution was adopted.

On motion, Elder W. L. Wright was allowed to make a statement why Graham church is still in debt; after which, a collection was taken to discharge the same, amounting to $215 in cash and pledges.

Elder N. B. Cobb read the report on Sunday Schools, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The church letters report that there are Sunday Schools in all the twenty-five churches of this Association, except two, Belvin and Mt. Moriah. Their statistics of schools reported are as follows:

	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total	Vols. in Lib.	Ch. Members.
1881	157	1,282	1,439	1,732	2,547
1880	134	1,086	1,230	1,449	2,389
	Net gain, 23	196	209	283	158

Some of our schools are not provided with suitable lesson helps, and many of them have no infant class. It is to be lamented that many of the country schools languish during the protracted meeting season, because the teachers leave their home work to attend revival meetings in other churches.

Your committee would recommend greater punctuality, and harder study on the part of teachers and superintendents; the adoption of the International series S. S. Lessons, in those schools which have not already adopted them, and a vigorous effort to interest all the church members in the Sunday School work.

N. B. Cobb,
C. S. Farriss,
R. A. Moore,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elder N. B. Cobb, after which the report was adopted.

The Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9½ o'clock. Prayer by Elder C. S. Farriss.

Saturday, Sept. 23, 1881, 9½ O'clock A. M.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in prayer.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

The roll was called and the proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Visiting brethren invited to seats, and Dr. T. H. Pritchard, of Central Association, and President of Wake Forest College, Brothers Paschal, Clabon, Justice and Richard Webster, from Sandy Creek Association, accepted.

On motion, the special order for this hour was postponed until after the report on Education.

Elder J. S. Purefoy read the report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are thankful to be able to say that our College at Wake Forest is in a prosperous condition. During the last session, there were 181 students present, of whom more than 30 were young ministers, and about 20 were beneficiaries. Owing to the general drought with failure of the crops to about one-half, we fear that the educational interest will suffer correspondingly. The Faculty consists of eight well drilled and efficient Professors, fully competent to discharge the duties assigned them. The grade of scholarship is fully equal to that of other colleges, and we can most heartily recommend Wake Forest College to the liberal patronage of the public, and especially of our own brethren. Two large buildings have been ereeted there within the last few years. Library Hall, built by the generous donations of Brethren J. M. Heck and John G. Williams, contains two large recitation rooms, two society halls and two library halls. The Wingate Memorial Hall, built by the generous donations of the brethren at large, contains four recitation rooms, one small chapel for daily use, and a large chapel, holding 1,500 persons, for public occasions. All things around show a spirit of improvement.

The endowment has increased to about $48,000 of invested funds, and is slowly but constantly increasing, and in a few years we believe it will reach $100,000. The Trustees are giving free tuition to more than thirty young ministers, amounting to about $2,000, which is about as much as the whole denomination is doing for the same object. This fact should of itself commend the College to the warmest sympathy and support of the denomination.

Rev. M. V. McDuffie, whom you aided as a beneficiary, graduated with honor last June, and is now filling a useful position with some churches of the Flat River and Tar River Associations. Your money has been well spent on him. Rev. N. R. Pittman, who was supported through the Educational Board, by four brethren of this Association, graduated last June, and has shown that their funds were well spent by his successful labors with several of your churches and mission stations this summer. He is now further prosecuting his studies at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville.

Being thus encouraged, we hope the brethren and churches will do even more in the future for the Lord in this direction than heretofore.

Brethren L. T. Buchanan, at Durham, and Locke Craig, at Chapel Hill, have schools of high grade for boys, which we can heartily recommend to the patronage of the public.

We would recommend female education as vastly important and by no means to be neglected. There are in our State seven female seminaries of the highest grade, which are well worthy of our patronage. Brethren do all that you can to promote the education of the rising generation, both male and female.

There ought to be within your bounds as many schools as you have churches. Every church would do well to see to it that a good school is established at or near their church houses. Sanctified education, like

that of the Apostle Paul, is the great visible hope of successfully spreading the Gospel and of the salvation of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. PUREFOY,
W. L. WRIGHT,
H. SEARS,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders J. S. Purefoy, Dr. T. H. Prichard and C. Durham. Pending the consideration of the motion, a collection was taken for the Wingate Memorial Hall, and pledges were made to the amount of $105. Further remarks were made by Elders N. B. Cobb and R. A. Patterson. Report adopted.

The Association adjourned until 1½ o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 1½ o'clock p. m.

Brother L. O. Lougee read the report on Finance.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Minute fund,	$50 00
Foreign Missions,	4 64
Total,	$54 64

L. O. LOUGEE,
L. D. BAUCOM,
JOHN CHEEK,
Committee.

The report on State Missions taken up. Elder N. B. Cobb read the report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We have twenty-six missionaries in the employment of the State Mission Board. They have been promised $2,000. Of this amount there is $750 to be raised, if we come up clear of debt at the meeting of the Convention. There has never been a more successful year's work done by our missionaries. They ought to be paid and our State Mission work enlarged.

W. L. WRIGHT,
R. A. PATTERSON,
WM. CHEEK,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Elders W. L. Wright and N. B. Cobb. A collection was taken for State Missions amounting to $7.25. Report adopted.

Elder C. S. Farriss read the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We recommend the *Biblical Recorder* as the exponent of Baptist principles, and as representative of the best interests of North Carolina Baptists. Your committee most heartily commend it to all the brethren, and urge the importance of increasing the circulation of the paper. No Baptist should be without it.

Kind Words is the best weekly Sunday School paper in our knowledge and we recommend it to the Sunday Schools within the bounds of this Association. Single copies, $1.00 per year; in clubs of ten, 60 cents.

Foreign Mission Journal is a monthly published at Richmond, Va Every one should avail himself of the opportunity of subscribing to this journal, in order that he may keep himself informed in regard to our missionaries.

C. S. FARRISS,
N. B. COBB,
J. C. WILSON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder C. S. Farriss. Report adopted.

Elder J. C. Wilson read the report on delegates to Baptist State Convention as follows:

J. A. Graham,	W. A. Albright,	W. L. Wright,
John Cheek,	J. E. Jones,	W. C. Cole,
M. B. Merritt,	A. B. Couch,	A. C. Hunter,
T. J. Strowd,	A. A. Compton,	A. G. Ferrell,
S. Browning,	L. D. Baucom,	W. J. Hackney,
J. W. Carlton,	G. W. Foushee,	J. Olive,
A. Johnson,	J. F. Williams,	P. H. Massey,
Mark Durham.	L. J. Weaver,	J. L. Markham,
Thomas Riggsbee,	J. N. Cheek,	L. O. Lougee,
E. D. Cheek,	R. A. Patterson,	P. P. Booker.

J. C. WILSON,
J. W. HACKNEY,
A. J. RIGGSBEE,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Clerk of this Association was directed to pay himself $10.00 for his services, and have the minutes printed with the balance of the Associational fund and distributed to the churches in proportion to the amount sent up from each.

On motion, the Clerk was directed to have the minutes sent to the clerks of the different churches by mail.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer, *In account with Mt. Zion Association:*

1881.	DR.	
Sept. 23.	Received from the Finance Committee,	$ 54 40
23.	Collection for State Missions,	7 20
25.	Collection for Foreign Missions,	18 40
	Total,	$ 80 00
	CR.	
	By cash paid B. F. Montague, Treas. B. S. C., State Mis., $ 7 20	
	By cash to same, for Foreign Missions, 23 20	
	Paid for printing Minutes, 39 60	
	Paid Clerk of Association, 10 00	
		$ 80 00

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Moore's Chapel, Alamance county, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1882. Prayer by Elder J. S. Purefoy.

J. P. MASON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

On Sunday morning there was a Sunday School mass meeting, and several short and interesting speeches made. After which Elder W. L. Wright preached the Missionary sermon from Acts 1 : 8. A collection was taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $18.40.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTEND'NTS	POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.
Antioch,	T. M. Roberson,	Bradshaw,	6	50	56	75
Bethel,	H. W. Lloyd,	Chapel Hill,	11	100	111	100
Berea,	Wm. H. Atkins,	Durham,	4	75	79	36
Belvin,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cane Creek,	A. P. Cates,	Rock Spring,	7	30	37	.....
Chapel Hill,	Locke Craig,	Chapel Hill,	8	125	133	177
Durham,	Dr. L. W. Battle,	Durham,	20	275	295	400
Graham,	R. A. Noel,	Graham,	4	24	28	.....
Hillsboro,	J. E. Jones,	Hillsboro,	4	39	43	60
Lystra	P. M. Pearson,	Riggsbee's Store,	5	70	75	50
Mt. Carmel,	J. M. Riggsbee,	Chapel Hill,	5	20	25	50
Mt. Pisgah,	Wm. Bachelor,	Williams' Mills,	7	63	70	200
Mt. Moriah,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead,	J. J. Crutchfield,	Pittsboro,	11	84	95	.....
Mt. Hermon,	J. C. Strayhorn,	University Station,	8	50	58	55
Moore's Chapel,	Geo. C. Guthrie,	Saxapahaw,	7	47	54	.....
Mars' Hill,	J. W. Holloway,	Cedar Grove,	3	12	15	108
Olive's Chapel,	J. H. Olive,	New Hill,	6	60	66	100
Pleasant Grove,	W. L. Pope,	Elm Grove,	7	45	52	50
Roberson's Grove,	J. F. McDuffie,	Dayton,	11	62	73	75
Rose of Sharon,	Wm. Dollar,	Durham,	6	25	31	25
Sandy Level,	— McLeod,	Durham,	11	82	93	41
Spring Hill,	W. J. Hackney,	Grove,	6	38	44	.....
Trade's Hill,	Alfred Johnson,	Merry Oaks,	5	50	55	100
Yates,	L. O. Lougee,	Durham,	6	40	46	80
			168	1466	1634	1782

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Total added.	Dism. by letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total loss.	Present Memb'ship No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total.
Antioch,	R. T. Bryan, Chapel Hill,	T. M. Roberson, Bradshaw,	2nd	...	...	...	...	5	3	1	9	39	59	98
Bethel,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	W. V. Andrews, Chapel Hill,	4th	2	...	...	2	1	1	...	2	54	83	137
Berea,	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level,	G. A. Barbee, Durham,	4th	25	4	...	29	1	2	2	5	45	73	118
Belvin,	R. A. Patterson, Gath,	J. S. Durham, Durham,	1st	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	20	30
Cane Creek,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	D. M. Sykes, Rock Spring,	3rd	7	1	1	9	7	4	3	14	95	160	225
Chapel Hill,	N. B. Cobb, Chapel Hill,	A. J. McDade, Chapel Hill,	e'y	5	9	...	14	9	4	7	20	74	87	161
Durham,	C. Durham, Durham,	E. C. Hackney, Durham,	e'y	33	22	...	55	15	5	3	23	94	143	237
Graham,	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro,	J. A. Graham, Graham,	1&3	...	11	...	11	...	1	...	1	15	22	27
Hillsboro,	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro,	J. E. Jones, Hillsboro,	2&4	...	1	...	1	4	1	2	6	8	23	31
Lystra,	R. T. Bryan, Chapel Hill,	W. C. Cole, Chapel Hill,	3rd	22	2	1	25	5	4	1	10	72	98	170
Mt. Carmel,	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro,	W. G. Clements, Rialto,	4th	8	3	4	15	...	1	...	1	44	58	102
Mt. Pisgah,	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks,	J. W. Beavers, Williams Mills,	4th	48	6	1	55	10	3	4	17	92	162	254
Mt. Moriah,	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill,	A. B. Couch, Patterson Hill,	2nd	11	2	...	13	4	3	1	8	40	50	90
Mt Gilead,	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks,	J. D. Brasington, Pittsboro,	3rd	1	...	..	1	1	4	2	7	47	73	121
Mt. Hermon,	Jesse Howell, Green Level,	A. C. Hunter, University Station	3rd	8	2	...	10	3	...	6	9	35	69	104
Moore's Chapel,	R. A. Moore, Pittsboro,	J. H. Winingham, Saxapahaw,	2nd	10	5	...	15	1	...	...	...	23	35	58
Mars Hill,	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro,	A. A. Compton, Cedar Grove,	2nd	...	...	1	1	8	1	...	9	11	18	29
Olive's Chapel,	Johnson Olive, Holly Spring,	H. J. Barker, New Hill,	3rd	17	...	...	17	1	4	3	8	56	122	188
Pleasant Grove,	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro,	R. C. Council, Elam Grove,	1st	2	...	...	2	2	2	...	4	42	82	124
Roberson's Grove,	R. A. Patterson, Gath,	J. F. McDuffee, Dayton,	3rd	16	6	2	24	..	...	...	...	26	38	68
Rose of Sharon,	R. A. Patterson, Gath,	J. W. Christian, Durham,	2nd	24	10	...	34	...	...	...	...	30	36	66
Sandy Level,	J. C. Hocutt, Dayton,	W. A. J. Rochelle, Durham,	4th	19	8	2	29	2	2	2	6	26	48	74
Spring Hill,	O. Churchill, Haywood,	W. J. Hackney, Grove,	1st	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	9	9	18
Trade's Hill,	O. Churchill, Haywood,	A. Johnson, Merry Oaks,	2nd	...	1	...	1	3	1	2	6	24	37	61
Yates',	H. W. Norris, Balentine Mills,	J. W. Carlton, Durham,	3rd	...	4	...	4	...	1	...	1	22	19	41
				258	91	12	370	82	47	39	166	1033	1624	2632

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Total.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sabbath Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum.	Total.	Other Objects.	Sum Total.	Recorders taken.
Antioch	$ 75 00	$ 1 35	$	$1 75	$ 78 10	$ 7 24	$ 60	$	$	$	$	$ 7 84	$	$ 85 94	5
Bethel	100 00	2 70		2 00	104 70	11 70	2 61		11 67			25 98	20 19	139 22	4
Berea	70 00	5 00	2 00	2 25	79 25	3 00			4 50			7 50		86 75	7
Belvin	40 00	50		1 00	41 50										
Cane Creek	125 00			3 00	128 00	5 72	1 61	5 50		7 25	5 15	25 23		153 23	6
Chapel Hill	850 00	65 00		2 00	917 00	16 00	20 72	20 81	51 66	6 72	12 18	128 99	200 90	1363 98	10
Durham	1200 00	341 50	91 75	4 00	1637 25	280 00	60 00	215 50	330 81	25 00	190 05	930 36		2567 65	51
Graham	123 00	150 26	35 00	1 00	309 26	8 03	10 13	14 17	10 56			42 89	38 00	352 53	1
Hillsboro	250 00	146 09		1 50	397 59	56 12	4 60	24 46	3 28		2 97	120 55	53 02	541 03	4
Lystra	100 00			3 00	103 00	13 83	4 63			9 10		27 56	1 50	132 06	12
Mt. Carmel	75 00			2 00	77 00					10 50		10 50		87 50	4
Mt. Pisgah	125 00	609 00		5 00	739 00	51 00	20 00	8 50	33 85	7 75		107 10		846 10	33
Mt. Moriah	75 00			1 50	76 50	6 35	1 10			3 45	9 07	19 77		96 27	
Mt. Gilead	79 60	8 85		2 00	80 40	12 80		75	7 87			21 42		101 82	7
Mt. Hermon	60 00	15 00		2 00	77 00	2 10		3 00				5 10		82 10	2
Moore's Chapel	75 00	40 95		1 00	116 95	5 00	1 75	2 00		2 83		11 58		128 53	5
Mars Hill	64 00	2 25		1 25	67 50	6 00	3 20	2 00	6 30			17 50	4 75	89 75	7
Olive's Chapel	75 00	8 50		3 00	86 50	16 00		5 50	10 65			32 15	24 20	142 85	11
Pleasant Grove	60 00	5 00		2 00	67 80	16 00	2 26	5 50		3 54		27 30	4 00	98 10	6
Roberson's Grove	75 00			1 50	76 30	46 50	16 01	7 60				70 11		146 61	6
Rose of Sharon	75 00	1 50		1 50	78 00	43 00	12 86	3 00		5 00		63 86		141 86	6
Sandy Level	65 00	3 00		2 00	70 00	5 75	1 35	3 50	20 00			30 60		100 60	6
Spring Hill	29 00	37		1 00	30 37	4 00		1 50				5 50		35 87	1
Trade's Hill		15 00		1 50	16 50	5 00		2 00	1 50	4 50		13 00		29 50	3
Yates'	90 00			1 00	91 00	5 30		2 00	14 25			21 55		111 55	5
Total	$3055 60	$1421 81	$128 75	49 75	$5544 66	$626 44	$163 43	$327 29	$506 90	$85 64	$219 42	$1773 94	$346 56	$7661 40	203

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PROCEEDINGS.

MOORE'S CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH,
Alamance County, N. C., Tuesday, Oct. 3rd, 1882.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association met in its thirteenth annual session at Moore's Chapel church, Alamance county, N. C.

In the absence of Rev. N. B. Cobb who was appointed at the last session of this Association to preach the Introductory Sermon, on motion of Elder C. Durham, the Association proceeded to organize.

Elder J. P. Mason, the former Moderator, called the Association to order and requested Elder C. Durham and Bro. L. O. Lougee to act as Reading Clerks.

The churches were called, their letters read and their delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—W. G. Eubanks and T. M. Roberson.
Berea—Hardy Markham.
Bethel—Paul C. Lloyd, H. W. Lloyd and S. C. Durham.
Belvin—Mark Durham.
Cane Creek—Thos. D. Oldham, Wm. Cheek, John W. Holmes and D. M. Sykes.
Chapel Hill—P. P. Booker, H. P. Smith, Wm. Roberson, W. G. Weaver and I. S. Weaver.
Durham—L. O. Lougee, R. T. Howerton, Nash Cheek, R. I. Rogers, O. P. Middleton and T. B. Mosely.
Graham—R. A. Nowell and C. Lloyd.
Hillsboro—John Cheek.
Lystra—Manly Lindsey.
Mt. Carmel—Letter but no delegate.
Mt. Pisgah—L. D. Baucom, Wm. Bachelor, L. B. Yates and C. R. Scott.
Mt. Moriah—F. M. Cheek, W. H. Couch, John T. Weaver and Luther Pendergrass.
Mt. Gilead—J. D. Brasington.
Mt. Hermon—A. C. Hunter and H. R. Andrews.
Moore's Chapel—Stephen M. Roberson, W. H. Guthrie, H. M. Quackenbush, T. J. Stroud and J. H. Wininghamm.
Mars Hill—A. J. Compton.
Olive's Chapel—Letter but no delegate.
Pleasant Grove—G. W. Foushee, C. N. Roberson and P. M. Mills.
Roberson's Grove—J. F. McDuffie.
Rose of Sharon—S. Browning and W. S. Newton.
Red Mountain—R. J. Tilly and Henry Copley.
Sandy Level—Duncan McLeod.
Spring Hill—J. W. Hackney and Alvis Roberson.
Pleasant Hill—A. Johnson.
Yates'—Henry Pickett and R. T. Couch.

Ministers present, members of this Association, J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson, C. Durham, R. A. Moore, R. A. Patterson, W. L. Wright, M. D. Jeffries, G. P. Moore.

The Association then proceeded to the election of a Moderator and appointed Elder W. L. Wright and Bro. S. O. Lougee as tellers, who reported Elder J. P. Mason elected.

Petitionary letters called for and a petition from Red Mountain Baptist church was read asking to be admitted as a member of our body.

On motion, the church was received and their delegates enrolled.

Visiting brethren invited to seats with us and Bro. Claborn Justice and Elder Enoch Crutchfield, from the Sandy Creek Association; Elder R. H. Marsh, from the Flat River Association and representing the *Orphan's Friend;* Bro. N. B. Broughton, from the Raleigh Association, and representing the *Biblical Recorder* and Elder C. E. Gower, from the Raleigh Association, accepted.

On motion, the following committees were appointed:

On Finance—L. O. Lougee, A. C. Hunter and Mark Durham.

On Foreign Missions—Elder M. D. Jeffries, Bros. G. W. Foushee and J. T. Weaver.

On Education—Elder R. H. Marsh, Bros. S. Browning and John Cheek.

On Place and Stated Services, etc.—Elder J. C. Wilson, Bros. D. McLeod and T. D. Oldham.

On Sunday Schools—Elder W. L. Wright, Bros. J. W. Hackney and R. T. Howerton.

On Delegates to Baptist State Convention—Elder R. A. Patterson, Bros. S. C. Durham and Thomas Stroud.

On State Missions—Elder C. Durham, Bros. Green Moore and W. G. Weaver.

On Periodicals—Bros. N. B. Broughton, D. McLeod and L. B. Yates.

On Development of the Churches—Elders C. Durham, M. D. Jeffries and R. A. Moore.

On Amendments to Constitution—Elders M. D. Jeffries, R. A. Patterson and J. C. Wilson.

On motion, the Association adjourned until one-and-a-half o'clock p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

By request of the Association Elder R. H. Marsh preached the introductory sermon from Matthew 21st chapter and part of the 28th verse.—"Son, go work to-day in my vineyard."

Bro. N. B. Broughton spoke in behalf of the *Biblical Recorder.*

Elder R. H. Marsh spoke in behalf of the *Orphan's Friend.*

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Prayer, Elder M. D. Jeffries leading.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 4th, 1882.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in religious exercises.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

The roll of delegates called and the proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats and Elder O. T. Edwards, from the Sandy Creek Association, accepted.

Elder C. Durham read the following report on the Development of the Churches:

REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHURCHES.

The development of the churches for the past five years has been very gratifying. This development has been shown in the increased contribution to State and Foreign Missions, to education, in Sabbath School work, in building and improving houses of worship, in paying the pastors, in the numbers of copies of the *Recorder* taken, in the practical efforts of at least four of our churches in substituting twice-a-month preaching for their former once-a-month plan, in the agitation of this subject in some other churches, in inclosing and improving the church, grave yards, &c., and in attending our union meetings. We are thankful to report these indications of improvement; and perhaps there is no Association in the State where they have been more marked. We feel, however, to urge several things which would as we think be to the further development of all the churches and all the work of the Association.

1. A deeper toned piety on the part of the pastors, and the membership of each church, more Bible reading, and more prayer.

2. At least one private meeting a year of all the pastors for at least one day, to pray together, and for each other, to consult together, and the better to understand from each other how each can be helpful to the other in their work for the Master.

3. That the churches now having preaching once a month, secure a pastor for half of his time, and so soon as possible to come to the Scriptural idea of a pastor for every church.

4. For the chairman of the committee on Missions and Education to visit, if possible, all the churches in the Association once a year and report to this body.

5. For the chairman of each section to visit each church in his section twice a year, to write to each one on these committees once a quarter, all report once a quarter to the chairman of the committee.

6. For each brother on these committees to give to his church all needed in-

formation about his department of church work, collect something from each member for the same and make a quarterly report to the chairman of his section.

7. For the pastor and these committees to see to it that the amount for one of these objects (State Missions, Foreign Missions or Education), is secured between the Association and the last of the year, the amount for another by the last of May, and for the other by the Association.

8. That the best business men in the churches be urged to attend our union meetings and Associations.

9. That there be a monthly pastor's and deacon's meeting for each church for consultation about all the interest of their church.

10. Many of the pastors should be paid more, and be paid more promptly whatever is promised, they should more frequently hold protracted meetings, and many times longer meetings, and each country church should have a school house, a school and a grave yard.

C. DURHAM,
Chairman.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elders C. Durham and R. A. Moore.

Report adopted.

On motion of Elder W. L. Wright, that the Ministers of this Association meet at Durham on Thursday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1882, at 9 o'clock a. m., for consultation, remarks were made by Elders C. Durham, W. L. Wright and Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Motion adopted.

Elder M. D. Jeffries read the following report on the Amendments to the Constitution:

REPORT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Strike out sections 9 and 10 and insert the following:

Sec. 1. The officers of this body shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, a Treasurer and an Auditor. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot and shall preside at all meetings of the body.

Sec. 2. The Clerk shall be elected by ballot and hold his office during the pleasure of the body. He shall, during all the sessions of the same, keep a faithful record of its proceedings, and have the minutes published and distributed to the churches according to the amounts paid by each for said object. He shall be paid ten dollars each year out of the Minute Fund for his work.

Sec. 3. The Historian shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall collect and put in some durable form all the facts of interest about each of the churches and report to each session of this body.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed by the churches and make an annual report to the Association.

Sec. 5. The Auditor shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same and shall annually examine the Treasurer's books and see that they are kept in an intelligent and business-like way, and attest the report.

M. D. JEFFRIES,
Chairman.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder C. Durham.

Report adopted.

Elder C. Durham read the following report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The Work Defined.

Every effort to give the gospel to the destitute, within the bounds of our State, is a part of this work. This is so. Whether it is done by the appointment of the State Board, or the Mission Committee of this Association, or indeed without appointing from any one ; whether it is giving to men who go out thus to preach, or building houses of worship, or bush arbors in the neglected sections, all is State Mission work, and should be so reported in the church letters.

The Board of Missions.

This Board appointed by the Convention composed of fifty eight of our best men, taken from every Association, located in Raleigh, has the oversight of the entire State Mission work, and it has special charge of those places and sections, where the gospel is not preached by the Missionaries of the Association.

This Board has for many years done a most successful and blessed work.

The facts in its work for this year up to July 31st as reported to its Secretary, John E. Ray, are as follows : Missionaries, 38 ; protracted meetings, 18 ; professions, 166 ; weeks of labor, 691 ; (more than 13 years), Sermons, 2069 ; churches supplied, 65; Mission Stations, 73; prayer meetings, 480; religious visits, 3125; baptisms, 208; added by letter, 178; churches organized, 8; meeting houses finished, 7; now building, 16; Sunday schools organized, 37; Sunday schools on mission fields, 77; attendance, 5488.

These reports do not cover the last quarter, (August, September and October,) the revisal season, and when this is covered, the results in conversions and baptisms will doubtless be more than double. Is not this enough to set on fire the heart of every one of our churches.

The Mission Work in the Mt. Zion Association.

The Association was organized in September, 1870, twelve years ago, and in 1871 some practical voluntary missions, was done by Elder G. P. Moore and Trades Hill Church stands as the result. At the Association in this year, Elder W. R. Gwaltney, chairman of committee on State Missions, in his report, said: We are a young body only one year old, shall we wait till we grow older before we do something ? He who does no work till grown is a weakly man. Let us begin work now, and when we grow to be a large body we will be strong men and women in Christ Jesus. As an Association we have no missionaries in the field. Allow your committee to suggest that we take steps at this meeting to put an efficient man beyond Haw river in Alamance county. There is only one Baptist church in the county, and not a single Baptist minister.

A Mission Board of seven was then appointed and in 1872 reported for their chairman, Elder G. W. Purefoy ; they appointed a meeting, failed to get a quorum and there the matter dropped. He suggested the appointment of a committee of one from each church to take this work in charge and his suggestion adopted for 1873, the committee reported for their chairman Thos. D. Oldham, that they had a meeting at Chapel Hill in March and of their number appointed a committee of four to whom they give the work. This committee had employed Elder J. H. Vernon to preach at Company Shops and Moore's School House. He visited Company Shops four times beginning in May. On Tuesday after the 1st Sabbath in September, he visited Moore's School House

and preached every night for one week. Bro. Vernon was paid $50 and the committee had a balance of $100. The same committee was reappointed.

In 1874, the chairman of the committee Thos. D. Oldham reported that they had employed Elder W. T. Farrow for three quarters of his time from January to September, and that he had preached at Graham and Moore's School House. The Graham church was organized, added to the Association this year. Bro. Farrow was paid $125.06 and there was a balance in hand of $35.38. A Mission Board of five was appointed.

In 1875 the Treasurer of the Mission Board, E. H. Wilson, reported that he had paid Elder J. H. Vernon $75.00, S. W. Wescott $33.00, W. B. Harrell,$49.80 and have a balance of $17.55. There is nothing in the minutes to show where any of these brethren labored.

In 1876 the Treasurer, E. H. Wilson, reported that he had paid Elder W. B. Harrell $120.51 and had a balance of $35.00. At this session the entire mission work was given into the hands of the Board at Raleigh, during this year however, Elder R. A. Patterson had work, Durham had done voluntary mission work and Belvin church was added to the Assocsation as the result.

In 1877 the brethren at Durham did some voluntary mission work, and an arm of the Durham church was reported to this body as the result.

In 1878 the brethren at Durham continued their voluntary mission work and the arm was organized into Yates' church, they had done a like work at Hopkin's Grove and an arm of Durham church had been formed there. During this year Elder R. A. Patterson had done voluntary mission work at Moore's School House and a church was added to this body as the result. At this session the mission was organized by a division of the Association into four sections, a committee of one from each church was appointed and a chairman for each section, and to this committee the entire work was given.

In 1879 the committee reported per their Secretary, L. O. Lougee, that they met at Yates' church in September, engaged Elder Jesse Howell to do mission work and that he had preached at Hopkin's Grove, Union Grove, Colclough School House, Orange Factory and Red Mountain. Bro Howell was paid $294.00 and the committee have a balance of $1.08.

In 1880 the committee reported per their Secretary, L. O. Lougee, that Elder R. A. Patterson and W. L. Wright had labored under appointment of the committee. Bro. Patterson in the north-eastern part of the Association and Bro. Wright at Graham. Two churches had been organized and added to this body, (Rose of Sharon and Roberson's Grove). During this year Elder R. T. Byran and others had done voluntary mission work and Spring Hill church was added as the result. Elder Wright was paid $50.00, Elder Patterson $66.75 and the committee had a balance of $18.04.

In 1881 the committee reported per their Secretary, L. O. Lougee, that Elder W. L. Wright had preached at Graham and Swepsonville, Elder Patterson at Keith's School House; Elder J. P. Mason, at Colwell's Grove, Elder J. M. Hilliard and N. R. Pittman at Red Mountain. Bro. Wright was paid $125.00, Bro. Hilliard $50.00 and Bro. Pittman $22.50. The Treasurer then had a balance of $46.54, and of this amount 25.00 was given to the State Mission Board, leaving balance in hand of $21.54.

In 1882 the committee reported that Elder W. L. Wright has preached at Graham, Swepsonville and Red Mountain. At Red Mountain a church has been organized and a good house built; at Swepsonville, everything is hopeful. At Keith's School House a church has been organized and is doing well. Bro. Wright has been paid $212.50 and the Treasurer has a balance of $39.40. Is this success? The human foundation for all success work for Christ is in well informed and well trained churches. Discontent with what is springing from a desire for something better, must pervade every step in real progress.

C. Durham,
Chairman.

On motion, the report was made the special order for tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Elder R. H. Marsh read the following report on Education:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee would note with pleasure and gratitude the increased and spreading interest in general education throughout the State. In our own denomination this is specially gratifying and in the growing patronage of our schools and colleges, both male and female. Wake Forest College was never in a more prosperous condition, and this too in spite of the fact that at present it is without a President. This vacancy occurring by the removal, to a distant State, of our esteemed brother and former President, Rev. T. H. Pritchard, D. D., is being filled most acceptably by Rev. Wm. B. Royall as chairman of the faculty. The present session has opened with about 145 students, and the number no doubt will exceed 200 during the term. Of these a large proportion are young ministers, and 26 are beneficiaries of the Board of Education. During the past year our Association supported two of these beneficiaries and we recommend the adoption of Bro. W. S. Olive and one other brother, to be designated by our Board of Missions as the beneficiaries of this Association. The schools of Rev. R. T. Bryan, at Chapel Hill, and brethren Edwards and Johnson, at Mt. Vernon Springs, in Chatham county, are accessible and well worthy of your patronage. We commend them and urge our brethren to spare no pains and expense to give their sons and daughters a fair chance for increased usefulness in the world and in the church, by the use of a liberal and sanctified education.

R. H. MARSH,
S. BROWNING,
JOHN CHEEK,
Committee.

On motion, the report was made the special order for this evening 3 o'clock.

On motion, the Association adjourned at 11 o'clock to hear the Missionary Sermon preached by Elder C. Durham from Rev. 2: 2.

After the sermon the Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion, the Association adjourned until one-and-a-half o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at one-and-a-half o'clock p. m.

Elder C. Durham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That our committees on Missions and Education be urged to secure for this work, from each church during the next year, what would be equal to one cent per week for each member, and that they enlarge their work on our western border as rapidly as possible.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder C. Durham.

Resolution adopted.

Elder R. A. Patterson read the following report on delegates to Baptist State Convention:

Wm. Faucette, John Cheek, M. B. Merritt, T. J. Stroud, S. Browning, J. W. Carlton, A. Johnson, Mark Durham, Thos. Riggsbee, J. E. Jones, A. B. Couch, A. A. Compton, G. W. Foushee, L. J. Weaver, W. L. Wright, R. T. Bryan, J. H. McDuffie, M. D. Jeffries, Merritt Cheek, J. B. Weaver, J. D. Brasington, J. C. Guthrie, Duncan McLeod and R. T. Howerton.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Patterson,
T. J. Stroud,
S. C. Durham,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Bro. N. B. Broughton read the following Report on Periodicals:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Our Denominational paper, the *Biblical Recorder*, continues to be the earnest, sound defender of our principles, as well as a newspaper for the family and fireside of which we all feel proud.

We recommend that the pastor of each church, at the monthly conference, appoint some active member of the church to canvass the members of the same and endeavor to place the *Recorder* in every Baptist family in our Association. The subscription price continues the same: $2 per annum, $1 for six months, 50 cents for three months.

We commend *Kind Words*, our Sunday School paper. Price, one year, for single copy $1, in clubs of ten or more, 60 cents each per annum.

We also recommend the *Orphan's Friend*, published in the interest of the Oxford Orphan Asylum. Subscription price $1 per annum.

N. B. Broughton,
Duncan McLeod,
T. Oldham,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Bro. N. B. Broughton, Elders R. A. Patterson and J. C. Wilson.

Report adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the subject of Education was taken up and remarks were made by Elder R. H. Marsh, Bro. N. B. Broughton and Elder C. Durham. A collection was then taken for education amounting to $12.50.

Report adopted.

On motion a committee on State Missions and Education was re-appointed and one member from each church on Foreign Missions as follows:

First Section—Elder J. C. Wilson, chairman.
Mt. Pisgah—C. L. Williams, L. D. Baucom and H. Sears.
Olive's Chapel—H. J. Barker, Johnson Olive and James Olive.

Pleasant Grove—G. W. Foushee, Sidney Eubanks and T. W. Womble.
Pleasant Hill—A. Johnson, A. S. Garner and G. W. Moore.
Mt. Gilead—C. P. Stone, N. S. Clark and W. L. Griffin.
Spring Hill—W. J. Hackney, T. C. Council and J. W. Hackney.
SECOND SECTION—Elder M. D. Jeffries, chairman.
Antioch—W. G. Eubanks, T. M. Robinson and Sidney Patterson.
Bethel—J. S. Nevill, H. C. Andrews and S. C. Durham.
Lystra—W. C. Cole, J. C. Horton and W. N. Womble.
Mt. Carmel—Wm. Cheek, J. M. Riggsbee and M. B. Merritt.
Chapel Hill—H. P. Smith, L. J. Weaver and P. P. Booker.
Mt. Moriah—S. Pendergrass, J. T. Weaver and F. M. Cheek.
THIRD SECTION—Elder W. L. Wright, chairman.
Cane Creek—A. P. Cates, D. W. Sykes and S. S. Cates.
Graham—J. A. Graham, R. A. Noell and Jesse Holt.
Hillsboro—John Cheek, J. E. Jones and W. H. Newman.
Mars Hill—W. L. Smith, A. A. Compton and Miss Mag. Compton.
Moore's Chapel—C. Moore, C. Guthrie and W. C. Moore.
Mt. Hermon—A. C. Hunter, J. C. Strayhorn and James McCauley.
FOURTH SECTION—Elder C. Durham, chairman.
Durham—O. P. Middleton, J. L. Markham and R. T. Howerton.
Belvin—Mark Durham, J. F. Bailey and J. F. Durham.
Sandy Level—R. J. Hall, John Ross and George Ross.
Berea—W. H. Atkins, P. H. Massey and Wesley Lee.
Yates—A. B. Couch, Henry Pickett and J. W. Carlton.
Roberson's Grove—J. A. Ferrell, J. F. McDuffie and J. H. Holloway.
Rose of Sharon—S. Browning, John Riley and J. W. Christian.
Red Mountain—Wm. Bowling, Henry Copley and D. T. Tillet.

The first brother from each church is on State Missions, the second on Education and the third on Foreign Missions.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer, Bro. John Cheek leading.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, Oct. 5th, 1882.

The Association convened and spent half an hour in religious exercises.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

Calling the roll and reading the proceedings of yesterday were dispensed with.

Bro. L. O. Lougee read the following report on Finance:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minute Fund	$47 50
" " Foreign Missions	8 60
" " Orphan Asylum	3 00
Total	$59 10

S. O. LOUGEE,
MARK DURHAM,
A. C. HUNTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

On motion, Bro. L. O. Lougee, Treasurer of the Mission Board, was called on to report, who read the report as follows:

DURHAM, N. C., Oct. 3rd, 1882.

DEAR BRETHREN:—In my last report to the Association, I gave the names of four points we were occupying, to wit: Red Mountain, Keith's School House, Swepsonville and Caldwell's Grove.

I am now glad to report that at Red Mountain we have a substantial house of worship, a thorough organization with a good and lively membership of 22. Bro. W. L. Wright our beloved missionary has labored faithfully for the Master's cause at this point, as the results mentioned indicate. Before the next meeting of this body it will be self sustaining and contributing liberally for the spread of the Gospel in other destitute sections at home and abroad.

At Keith's School house another church is organized, the fruits of our labor, but it being within the bounds of the Flat River Association, it joined them at their last session.

At Swepsonville the prospect is very encouraging, good congregations, and a desire to hear the word preached. Bro. Swepson intends building a School house soon, for use until he can get a house of worship built. I believe our missionary should continue at this point, for it will pay us, though no church be organized for some time, to have the people hear the truth proclaimed as we, as a denomination, hold it. At Caldwell's Grove we have not yet made much headway owing to the sickness of our dear Bro. J. P. Mason, who was appointed to do missionary work at this place, but the committee who has visited it reports that it should be occupied, and are making arrangements to do so at an early day.

Other points of destitution were brought to the notice of the committee at our last meeting and committees appointed to visit them.

Brethren, examine for yourselves the work your Mission Committee has done for the past two or three years and see whether the small amounts you have contributed have paid, or in other words estimate the value of one soul, the question is then answered, but do not stop yet, examine still further the section of country within our bounds and see the vast destitute field open before us; shall we let it alone, or shall we enter? God grant that we may be baptized more thoroughly with the spirit of Missions, that we may consecrate ourselves more and more unto this glorious work.

At our meeting in January we adopted Bro. W. S. Olive as our beneficiary, but our mission and educational committee men have reported small amounts collected as the following table will show. (See Financial Table).

FINANCIAL REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Dr.

On hand at last report		$126 47
Paid in by the churches		235 45
" " G. W. Foushee, of Pleasant Grove		4 00
" " Miss Franklin, of Red Mountain		50
		$366 42

Cr.

Paid Bro. J. M. Hilliard in full	$29 50	
" " W. L. Wright for Swepsonville	15 00	
" to State Mission Board	25 00	
" Bro. W. L. Wright for last year in full, and first quarter at Swepsonville	69 00	
" " W. L. Wright for second quarter at Swepsonville and first and second quarters at Red Mountain	75 00	
" " W. L. Wright for part of third quarter at Red Mountain and Swepsonville	43 15	
Paid for postals and paper	1 00	
" Bro. W. L. Wright balance due and fourth quarter at Red Mountain and Swepsonville	56 85	=$314 50
Balance on hand		$ 51 92

ON EDUCATION.

Dr.

On hand at last report	$ 8 29
Received from the churches	123 97
	$132 26

Cr.

Paid B. F. Montague, Treasurer Baptist State Convention	$ 80 42
Balance on hand	$ 51 84

L. O. LOUGEE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Report adopted.

Elder J. C. Wilson read the following report on Place and Stated Services of next Association:

REPORT.

Your committee on Place and Stated Services of the next Association report two churches asking for the next session of the Association to be held with them, and recommend that the Association decide the place.

We recommend Bro. M. D. Jeffries to preach the Missionary Sermon and Bro. W. L. Wright, alternate. Bro. G. P. Moore to preach the Introductory Sermon and Bro. R. A. Patterson, alternate.

J. C. WILSON,
D. MCLEOD,
T. D. OLDHAM,
Committee.

Report adopted.

A motion was made to hold the next session of this body at Sandy Level, which was amended by substituting Mt. Pisgah. The amendment was adopted. The motion as amended was then adopted.

Elder W. L. Wright read the following report on Sunday Schools:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The church letters report Sunday Schools in all the 26 churches of this Association except three. Statistics as follows:

	OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.	SCHOLARS.	TOTAL.	VOLUMES IN LIBRARY.
1882	182	1679	1861	1439
1881	168	1466	1634	1782
	Net gain 14	213	227	

We would urge that all our church members, old as well as young, attend our Sunday schools, and labor in them and make them evergreen, not losing time in attending protracted meetings, or for any other unnecessary cause.

We would urge that teachers and scholars be more diligent in the study of the word of God. We urge the schools to purchase all the needed helps in the way of books, maps, &c., that might be helpful in the study of the lessons; that the schools report all their contributions so that we may see the development in benevolence; that the one great leading aim of all Sunday school workers be to lead souls to Christ.

W. L. Wright,
R. T. Howerton,
J. W. Hackney,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Report adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Elder C. Durham again read the report on State Missions.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder C. Durham and Bro. N. B. Broughton. Pending the consideration of the subject, a collection was taken amounting, in cash and pledges, to $60.

Report adopted.

Elder M. D. Jeffries read the following report on Foreign Missions:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We are advancing, for that we thank God, as many souls have been converted to Christ in the last 80 years as in preceeding 1800 years.

OUR CONTRIBUTIONS.

During the last year Southern Baptists gave more for the spread of the gospel in heathen lands than ever before; the contributions amounted to about $50.000.

Eleven new missionaries have been appointed since our last meeting. W. S. Walker, of Georgia, has gone to Shanghai to hold up the weary hands of Yates; N. W. Holcomb and C. W. Pruitt have gone to help Crawford, at Tung Chow; P. A. Eubanks and wife are in Africa; Z. C. Taylor and wife in Brazil; and W. D. Powel and wife, and Miss Annie J. Mayberry in Mexico. How the earth ought to be bound together in this cause!

Maryland has a Graves, Virginia a Taylor, North Carolina a Yates, South Carolina a Miss Whilden, Georgia a Walker and Pruitt, Mississippi an Eager and Simmons, and so on. We should praise God that we have such men and we ought to support them.

But $50,000 from a half million of Christians, is that enough? In our own Association last year we, 2632 members, gave $163.43. That is better than some, but is that enough? Men need information—give it to them. Take the *Foreign Mission Journal* and every one read it and talk about it. We recommend that the member of each church appointed to act as agent for Foreign Missions, also represent evangelically the *Foreign Mission Journal*, and that a sermon of facts and figures be preached at least once a year.

M. D. Jeffries,
G. W. Foushee,
John T. Weaver,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder M. D. Jeffries. A collection was taken amounting to $10.43.

In connection with the above report the following resolutions were offered by Elder W. L. Wright:

WHEREAS, Our Bro. D. W. Herring has felt that God has called him to the Foreign Mission work, and especially to the work of assisting our beloved Bro. Yates, who was reared within the bounds of this Association and who is now being supported by the Raleigh and Central Associations.

Resolved, That we realize that in this call of Bro. Herring to work in China, that we are equally called to aid in his support.

Resolved, further, That a committee of one be appointed to ask the Flat River Association to join us in this work, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Bro. Herring, and that he be requested to spend as much of his next vacation visiting our churches as he may be able to spare, and that the said committeeman confer with him and make the arrangements necessary for him to visit the churches.

Resolutions adopted, and Elder C. Durham appointed on said committee.

The following resolution was offered by Elder W. L. Wright and adopted:

Resolved, That our committee on Missions and Education be urged to consider the importance of Bible distribution and colportage within our bounds, and if found wise and practicable, to put a suitable man to work in this department.

The Moderator appointed Bro. L. O. Lougee, Treasurer; Bro. J. L. Markham, Auditor, and Elder J. P. Mason, Historian of this Association.

The following resolution was offered by Elder C. Durham:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are most heartily tendered this community, and especially to the brethren and sisters of other denominations, for their kindness and hospitality during this session.

Resolution adopted.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. R. SCOTT, Treasurer,
In account with the MT. ZION ASSOCIATION.

Dr.

Received from the Finance Committee	$ 59 10
Collection for Foreign Missions	10 43
" " State Missions	44 00
Total	$113 53

Cr.

Paid B. F. Montague, Treasurer Baptist State Convention, for State Missions	$44 00	
Paid B. F. Montague for Foreign Missions	19 03	
" " " " the Orphan Asylum	3 00	
" " " " Printing Minutes	37 50	
" " " " Clerk of Association	10 00	
		$113 53

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Mt. Pisgah, Chatham county, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1883.

J. P. MASON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, *Clerk.*

CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This Association shall be called the Mt. Zion Baptist Association.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each church shall be three, and one additional delegate for each Sabbath school connected with that church, who shall be a member of some Baptist church.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and died during the past year, the total number in fellowship, and the amount paid as pastor's salary, incidental expenses, minute fund, for the poor, State, Foreign and Indian missions, Education, Oxford Orphan Asylum and Sabbath schools. These and all other matters of finance connected with the churches, and the number of copies of the BIBLICAL RECORDER taken by the churches, shall be published in the minutes.

ART. 5. The members thus convened shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts, this Association shall recognize Christ as the only lawgiver of Zion, and that every individual church is an independent body, with executive but no legislative power.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association when requested by aggrieved churches to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application, they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual application will not be entertained.

ART. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of the religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists as the true teachings thereof.

ART. 9. The officers of this body shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, a Historian, a Treasurer and an Auditor.

ART. 10. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot, and shall preside at all the meetings of this body.

ART. 11. The clerk shall be elected by ballot and hold his office during the pleasure of the body. He shall during all the session of the same keep a faithful record of its proceedings, and have the minutes published and distributed to the churches according to the amount paid by each for said object. He shall be paid ten dollars each year out of the minute fund for his work.

ART. 12. The Historian shall be appointed by the Moderator, and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall collect and put in some dura-

ble form all facts of interest about each of the churches, and report to each session of this body.

ART. 13. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed by the churches, and make an annual report to the Association.

ART. 14. The Auditor shall be appointed by the Moderator, and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall annually examine the Treasurer's books, and see that they are kept in an intelligent business like way, and attest the report.

ART. 15. Any member of this Association visiting other similar bodies, shall be authorized to represent us therein.

ART. 16. This Association shall be auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention in all its Educational, Mission, Sabbath school and other work.

ART. 17. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given that they are truly of our faith and order.

ART. 18. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.
Antioch	D. M. Durham, Bradshaw, N. C	6	50	56	.....
Bethel	H. W. Lloyd, Chapel Hill, N. C	10	100	110	75
Belvin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	William Atkins, Morrisville, N. C	10	75	85	35
Cane Creek	S. P. Cates, Rock Spring, N. C	6	30	36	.....
Chapel Hill	J. W. Gore, Chapel Hill, N. C	14	125	139	250
Durham	R. T. Howerton, Durham, N. C	20	340	360	400
Graham	R. A. Noel, Graham, N. C	4	22	26	.....
Hillsboro	J. E. Jones, Hillsboro, N. C	5	41	46	.....
Lystra	P. M. Pearson, Riggsbee's Store, N. C	5	60	65	50
Mt. Carmel	J. M. Riggsbee, Rialto, N. C.	5	75	80	.....
Mt. Pisgah	L. D. Baucom, Morrisville, N. C	8	81	90	200
Mt. Moriah	H. W. Shepherd, Chapel Hill, N. C	13	103	116	30
Mt. Gilead	J. I. Crutchfield, Pittsboro, N. C	11	58	69	.....
Mt. Hermon	J. C. Strayhorn, Pittsboro, N. C	7	40	47	50
Moore's Chapel	George C. Guthrie, Saxapahaw, N. C	8	45	53	.....
Mars' Hill	Artemus Compton, Cedar Grove, N. C	4	12	16	101
Olive's Chapel	J. H. Olive, Apex, N. C	5	15	55	100
Pleasant Grove	L. H. Harward, Elm Grove, N. C	6	40	49	25
Pleasant Hill	A. S. Garner, Pittsboro, N. C	6	30	36	.....
Roberson's Grove	E. H. Husketh, Fish Dam, N. C	7	30	37	60
Rose of Sharon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Level	Duncan McLeod, Durham, N. C	10	66	76	40
Spring Hill	W. J. Hackney, Grove, N. C	8	44	52	58
Yates'	J. W. Carlton, Durham, N. C	6	40	46	65
		184	1557	1731	1539

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors and their Post Offices.	Clerks and their Post Offices.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Total Added.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Loss.	Present Memb'ship. No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total.
Antioch	R. T. Bryan, Chapel Hill, N. C.	T. M. Roberson, Bradshaw, N. C.	2nd	9	...	...	9	7	1	...	8	35	56	91
Bethel	.....	W. V. Andrews, Chapel Hill, N. C.	4th	24	2	4	30	.....	1	1	2	71	94	165
Berea	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level, N. C.	G. A. Barbee, Durham, N. C.	4th	.....	1	...	1	.....	1	...	1	45	76	121
Belvin	James Adkerson	M. B. Durham, Fish Dam, N. C.	2nd	.....	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	10	20	30
Cane Creek	R. A. Moore, Saxapahaw, N. C.	D. M. Sykes, Rock Spring, N. C.	3rd	5	...	...	5	11	2	3	16	85	159	244
Chapel Hill	M. D. Jeffries, Chapel Hill, N. C.	A. J. McDade, Chapel Hill, N. C.	Ev'y	.....	8	...	8	10	3	2	15	71	84	155
Durham	C. Durham, Durham, N. C.	E. C. Hackney, Durham, N. C.	Ev'y	39	15	6	60	24	7	2	33	98	165	263
Graham	.....	James A. Graham, Graham, N. C.	.....	.....	...	...	.....	5	1	...	6	.....	.....	31
Hillsboro	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro, N. C.	J. E. Jones, Hillsboro, N. C.	2 & 4	1	3	...	4	4	3	1	7	8	22	30
Lystra	R. T. Bryan, Chapel Hill, N. C.	W. C. Cole, Chapel Hill, N. C.	3 & 4	.....	2	2	4	3	2	3	8	71	102	173
Mt. Carmel	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro, N. C.	W. G. Clements, Rialto, N. C.	4th	.....	1	...	1	4	7	3	14	36	49	85
Mt. Pisgah	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	J. W. Beavers, Williams' Mills.	4th	.....	...	...	.....	3	1	4	8	90	157	247
Mt. Moriah	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	J. T. Weaver, Chapel Hill, N. C.	1st	29	3	1	33	11	...	3	14	58	45	103
Mt. Gilead	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	J. Brasington, Pittsboro, N. C.	2 & 3	.....	3	...	3	2	3	1	6	42	75	117
Mt. Hermon	Jesse Howell, Green Level, N. C.	H. C. McCauley, Hillsboro, N. C.	3rd	.....	1	...	1	2	..	...	2	34	66	100
Moore's Chapel	R. A. Moore, Saxapahaw, N. C.	J. H. Winningham, Saxapahaw	2nd	4	7	...	11	.....	1	1	2	28	39	67
Mars Hill	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro, N. C.	Artemus Compton, Cedar Grove	4th	5	...	...	5	4	...	1	5	10	19	29
Olive's Clapel	Johnson Olive, Apex, N. C.	H. J. Barker, New Hill, N. C.	3rd	.....	10	...	10	10	1	2	13	57	123	184
Pleasant Grove	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro, N. C.	J. E. Johnson, Elm Grove, N. C.	1st	.....	...	1	1	1	4	3	8	40	74	114
Pleasant Hill	O. Churchill, Haywood, N. C.	A. Johnson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	2nd	.....	...	...	.....	4	...	...	4	22	35	57
Roberson's Grove	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	A. W. Holloway, Fish Dam, N. C.	2 & 4	6	2	...	8	.....	...	1	1	28	46	74
Rose of Sharon	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	J. M. Montague, Durham, N. C.	3rd	5	1	...	6	.....	3	1	4	32	39	71
Red Mountain	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro, N. C.	R. J. Tilley, South Lowell, N. C.	1st	5	3	...	8	3	...	...	3	11	9	20
Sandy Level	John C. Hocutt, Dayton, N. C.	J. R. Ross, Durham, N. C.	1st	4	3	...	7	.....	...	...	.....	32	51	83
Spring Hill	R A. Moore, Saxapahaw, N. C.	W. J. Hackney, Grove, N. C.	1st	1	4	...	5	.....	...	...	.....	11	12	23
Yates'	H. W. Norris, Balentine's Mills	J. W. Carlton, Durham, N. C.	3rd	14	9	...	23	1	...	...	1	32	29	61
				151	78	14	243	109	41	33	181	1057	1646	2738

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Total.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum.	Total.	Other Objects.	Sum Total.	Recorders Taken.
Antioch	$ 75 00	$ 22 00	$.....	$1 75	$ 98 75	$ 4 24	$ 4 84	$.....	$ 2 00	$.....	$.....	$ 11 08	$.....	$109 83	3
Bethel	.....	9 40	.....	1 50	10 90	13 40	2 14	6 75	16 06	.....	.....	38 35	29 36	78 61	8
Berea	80 00	.....	.....	2 00	82 00	3 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 55	.....	85 55	.....
Belvin	40 00	5 00	.....	1 00	46 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 00	2
Cane Creek	100 00	.....	.....	1 50	101 50	95	.....	10 00	2 00	.....	.....	12 95	.....	114 45	4
Chapel Hill	600 00	60 00	.....	2 10	662 10	39 33	22 89	25 00	8 10	25 00	3 55	123 87	132 50	918 47	21
Durham	1200 00	482 50	50 00	4 00	1736 50	218 25	87 30	223 20	148 30	30 00	31 80	738 85	150 00	2625 35	60
Graham	140 25	2 50	.....	1 00	143 75	.....	.....	.....	24 94	.....	.....	24 94	.....	168 69	.....
Hillsboro	250 00	55 00	10 00	1 50	316 50	16 00	30 30	33 06	60 12	1 25	7 44	148 17	40 00	504 67	4
Lystra	100 00	.....	.....	3 00	103 00	16 00	11 82	2 00	.....	7 00	.....	36 82	.....	139 82	10
Mt. Carmel	75 00	2 00	.....	1 55	78 55	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	79 55	4
Mt. Pisgah	125 00	695 00	.....	5 00	825 00	17 57	18 25	16 25	10 45	.....	.....	58 52	30 00	916 52	26
Mt. Moriah	50 00	.....	.....	2 50	52 50	6 05	6 35	8 25	7 37	.....	.....	28 02	.....	80 52	.....
Mt. Gilead	140 00	4 00	.....	3 35	145 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145 00	6
Mt. Hermon	40 00	.....	.....	2 00	42 00	10 00	.....	.....	3 50	.....	.....	13 50	.....	55 50	3
Moore's Chapel	100 00	45 00	.....	1 50	146 50	5 00	.....	5 00	3 50	.....	.....	13 50	3 00	163 00	8
Mars Hill	37 00	3 00	.....	60	40 60	3 50	.....	5 15	2 25	25	.....	11 15	.....	51 75	4
Olive's Chapel	75 00	16 10	.....	2 50	94 10	5 00	.....	10 00	3 47	.....	.....	18 47	5 00	117 57	10
Pleasant Grove	65 00	2 50	.....	2 50	70 00	5 75	.....	2 55	.....	.....	.....	8 30	.....	78 30	12
Pleasant Hill	.....	25 00	.....	1 00	26 00	5 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00	.....	33 00	4
Roberson's Grove	125 00	.....	3 25	1 50	129 75	8 00	17 00	4 00	10 00	.....	.....	39 00	6 25	168 75	5
Rose of Sharon	100 00	.....	.....	1 50	101 50	5 00	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	112 50	.....
Red Mountain	.....	508 00	.....	1 25	509 25	1 00	6 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00	12 00	529 25	2
Sandy Level	90 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	99 00	5 00	50	5 00	15 76	.....	3 65	29 91	35 50	164 41	8
Spring Hill	60 00	23 50	.....	.....	84 50	2 90	1 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 45	.....	88 95	3
Yates'	90 00	.....	.....	1 50	91 50	5 75	4 25	3 50	6 00	.....	.....	19 50	.....	111 00	5
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W. M. Batchelor £0 -
Boston Ford 2 s -
J. M. Mason 2 s -

J. D. Horton 2 s -
H. C. Williams 2 s -
J. D. Yates 2 s -
J. S. Upchurch 2 s -
Williams Yates
Lipsha R. H. Beavers 2 s -
W. C. Cole 2 s -
P. M. Pearson 2 s -
A. Rijsbe
W. Gibbs
Ed Griffin 2 s -
P. Stone 1 00

Sidney Willson 2 s -

Church Building

[illegible] Sterling other [illegible]
[illegible] ~~[illegible]~~
[illegible] be authorized
to represent the Union.

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(1) This ~~[illegible]~~ Association shall
be auxiliary to the Baptist
State Convention [illegible]
Colorado, Nebraska, [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible]

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

Faculty:

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PROCEEDINGS.

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church,
Chatham County, N. C., Tuesday, Oct. 9th, 1883.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Association met in its fourteenth annual session at Mt. Pisgah church, Chatham county, N. C.

In the absence of Elder G. P. Moore, who was appointed at the last session of the Association to preach the Introductory Sermon, the Association proceeded to organize.

Elder J. P. Mason, the former Moderator, called the Association to order and read a portion of Scripture, led in prayer, and then requested Elder C. Durham and Bro. J. E. Jones to act as reading Clerks.

The churches were called, their letters read and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—W G Eubanks, C W Lloyd, D F Davis and R P Poe.

Berea—Patrick Massey, A N Leigh and A D Shepherd.

Bethel—H W Lloyd, J S Nevel, S C Durham and W V Andrews.

Belvin—Mark Durham and James F Bailey.

Cane Creek—Wm Cheek, N A Cates, Enoch Sykes and Murphy Smith.

Chapel Hill—H H Patterson, P P Booker, M T Castleberry, Dr G W Purefoy and J Y Merrith.

Durham—J P Stroud, J W Proctor, John V Riggsbee, R T Howerton and A D Markham.

Graham—Jacob M Trollinger, Jesse Holt, John F Clapp and John Underwood.

Hillsboro—John Cheek, J E Jones and J S Spurgeon.

Lystra—P M Person, J C Horton, W T Sparrow, G O Cole; Alternates: C C Riggsbee and L G Cole.

Mt. Carmel—L W Williams, M B Merritte, R D Cheek and E W Goodwin.

Mt. Pisgah—James W Hilliard, Wm A Marcom, Wm A Barbee and R J Yates.

Mt. Moriah—H Q Straus, F M Cheek, J T Weaver and J T Couch.

Mt. Gilead—S L Herndon, C P Stone, W E Griffin and W L Griffin.

Mt. Hermon—A C Hunter, Samuel Couch, J B Christian and E L Strayhorn.

Moore's Chapel—Geo C Guthrie, John C Moore, T J Stroud and William C Moore.

Mars Hill—No representation.
Olive's Chapel—Cater Olive and Wm Yates.
Pleasant Grove—M T Horton, G W Foushee, L H Harward and P. M Mills.
Pleasant Hill—C D Moore, A S Garner, A Johnson and D W Poe.
Roberson's Grove—J F McDuffie.
Rose of Sharon—S Browning, — Dollar ad J J Riley.
Red Mountain—W H Copley, R J Tilley and Charles R Wilson.
Sandy Level—R S Ross, A H Rochell, W E Glenn and James T Glenn.
Spring Hill—J W Hackney, R C Goodwin, S Johnson and Johnny Council.
Yates—Henry Pickett, Y C Jones, A B Couch and H S Markham.
Cedar Fork—P H Barbee, W H Weatherspoon and W B Scott.
Betheden—W P Roberts, A W Crabtree, F S Reaves and S S Cates.
Swepsonville—E M Cook, W A Woods and J M Overman.

Ministers present, members of this Association, J. P. Mason, J. C. Wilson, C. Durham, R. A. Moore, R. A. Patterson, W. L. Wright, M. D. Jeffries, G. P. Moore, C. E. Gower and C. C. Newton.

The Association then proceeded to the election of a Moderator by appointing M. D. Jeffries and R. T. Howerton tellers, who reported Elder J. P. Mason elected.

Petitionary letters were called for and a letter of withdrawal from the Raleigh Association was read from Cedar Fork asking to unite with us.

On motion, it was received, the delegates enrolled and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

Petitionary letters from two new churches, Betheden and Swepsonville, were read, and, on motion, referred to a committee to examine the articles of faith, consisting of Elders M. D. Jeffries, J. C. Wilson and G. P. Moore.

Visiting brethren invited to seats with us and Elders J. J. Lansdell, from the Flat River Association ; T. Carrick, from the Tar River Association, representing the interests of the Memorial Church at Greenville ; A. D. Hunter, H. W. Norris, G. J. Dowell, brethren R. M. Andrews, J. B. Strain and Pharis Yates, from the Raleigh Association, and Elder J. M. Hilliard from the Buncombe County Association accepted.

Elder Carrick asked for time to present his mission, and on motion, the hour was set for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The Association then took a recess for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 p. m. the congregation re-assembled and listened to the introductory sermon, preached by Elder G. P. Moore from the 1st chapter of Joshua and part of the 9th verse.

After which the Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion, the following committees were appointed:

On Finance—Brethren R. T. Howerton and J. N. Cheek.

On Foreign Missions—Elder C. Durham, and brethren Wm. A. Marcom and J. S. Nevel.

On Education—Elder M. D. Jeffries, J. M. Hilliard, and Bro. M. T. Horton.

On Place and Stated Services, &c.—Elder J. C. Wilson, Bros. J. W. Hackney and W. A. Barbee.

On Sunday Schools—Elder G. P. Moore, Bros. A. C. Hunter and J. T. Weaver.

On Delegates to Baptist State Convention—Elder R. A. Patterson, Bros. G. O. Cole and Louis Griffin.

On State Missions—Elder W. L. Wright, Bros. J. E. Jones and H. Q. Strain.

On Periodicals—Elders C E Gower, G J Dowell, and Bro. Mark Durham.

Development of the Churches—Elders A D Hunter, J J Lansdell, and Brother John Cheek.

On Building Houses of Worship—Elders J C Wilson, J J Lansdell and R A Patterson.

Elder C. Durham, appointed at the last Association to confer with Elder D. W. Herring relative to visiting this Association during his vacation, made the following report:

Your committee to engage Rev. D. W. Herring to spend a month with our churches, reports the facts in the case, viz:

We engaged Bro. Herring for the month of August, and he preached at the churches named, viz., Cedar Fork, Mt. Pisgah, Pleasant Grove, Mt. Gilead, Lystra, Mt. Moriah, Antioch, Chapel Hill, Cane Creek, Moore's Chapel, Graham, Hillsboro, Mt. Hermon, Berea, Roberson's Grove, Rose of Sharon, Yates and Durham.

The churches paid him $70.96.

We think good will come to the churches and to the Foreign Mission work as the results of his labors, and we suggest that he be engaged for one month next year to visit and preach to our churches.

C. DURHAM, *Committee.*

On motion, the Association agreed to meet at 9:30 a. m., and spend half an hour in religious exercises, take a recess from 12:30 to 1:30 p. m., and then meet and adjourn at will.

The committee on New Churches made the following report:

We find that the two churches applying for membership in our Association, Betheden and Swepsonville, have been regularly organized by a presbytery of Baptist ministers in good standing, and have adopted the Articles of Faith in the Manual adopted by this Association. We recommend their reception.

On motion, the report was adopted and the delegates enrolled, and the right hand of fellowship was given to the delegates by the Moderator.

On motion, a committee on Education, State and Foreign Missions were appointed as follows:

FIRST SECTION—Elder J C Wilson, Chairman.
Mt. Pisgah—C L Williams, L D Baucom and H Sears.
Olive's Chapel—Robert Williams, Johnson Olive and James Olive.
Pleasant Grove—G W Foushee, M T Horton and L H Harward.
Pleasant Hill—A Johnson, A S Garner and C W Moore.
Mt. Gilead—C P Stone, W A Temple and W L Griffin.
Cedar Fork—J S Barbee, W B Scott and Weston Edwards.
SECOND SECTION—Elder M D Jeffries, Chairman.
Antioch—W G Eubanks, D M Durham and C W. Lloyd.
Bethel—J S Nevill, H C Andrews and S C Durham.
Lystra—W C Cole, Y A Oldham and G W Riggsbee.
Mt. Carmel—Wm Cheek, J M Riggsbee and M B Merritt.
Chapel Hill—B Craig, L J Weaver and P P Booker.
Mt. Moriah—S Pendergrass, J T Weaver and F M Cheek.
THIRD SECTION—Elder W L Wright, Chairman.
Cane Creek—A P Cates, D M Sykes and N A Cates.
Graham—J A Graham, R A Noel and Jesse Holt.
Hillsboro—John Cheek, J E Jones and W H Newman.
Mar's Hill—W S Smith, A A Compton and Miss Mag Compton.
Moore's Chapel—C Moore, C Guthrie and T J Stroud.
Mt Hermon—A C Hunter, W M Stroud and James McCauley
Betheden—W P Roberts, A W Crabtree and S S Cates
Swepsonville—E M Cook, J S Alderman and Wiley Rominger
FOURTH SECTION—Elder C Durham, Chairman
Durham—J V Riggsbee, J L Marcom and R T Howerton
Belvin—Mark Durham, J F Bailey and J G Durham
Sandy Level—S D Markham, John Ross and George Ross
Berea—W H Atkins, P H Massey and Wesley Lee
Yates—A B Couch, Henry Pickett and J W Carlton
Roberson's Grove—A G Ferrell, J F McDuffie and J P Robertson
Rose of Sharon—S Browning, John Riley and J W Christian
Red Mountain—W R Clark, Henry Coply and F M Tilley.

The first brother from each church is on State Missions, the second on Education, and the third on Foreign Missions.

Elder C. Durham read the report on Foreign Missions; and, on motion, it was made the special order for to-morrow at 2:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 10th, 1883.

The Association met and spent half an hour in religious exercises, conducted by Elder G. J. Dowell.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Visiting brethren were again invited to seats, and Elder S. H. Thompson from the Liberty Association, Elder S. Gilmore from the Sandy Creek Association, Bro. N. B. Broughton from the Raleigh Association and representing the *Biblical Recorder*, Elders A. D. Cohen, J. W. F. Rogers, John R. Maynard, M. S. Ferrell from the Raleigh Association, and Prof. C. E. Taylor, representing the endowment of Wake Forest College, accepted.

The hour arrived for Elder Carrick to present his claim in behalf of the Memorial Church at Greenville, which he did in a very forcible manner. A collection was taken for that object amounting in cash and pledges to $103.

Elder C. E. Gower read the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

No man has the moral right to try to keep house without food. Mental food is as necessary for Christians as bread and water. Every Baptist family should receive a regular weekly supply from the office of the *Biblical Recorder*, Baptist headquarters for something fresh. Every Sunday the family should have something nice and sweet, called *Kind Words*, a Sunday school paper published in Atlanta, Ga. We would also commend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published in Richmond, Virginia, at 25 cents a copy in clubs of four. If you want to be well supplied send for the *Baptist Teacher*, Philadelphia, Pa., and you will get something that will not grow stale.

Respectfully submitted,

CLAUD E GOWER,
GEO J DOWELL,
MARK DURHAM,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Bros. N. B. Broughton and Elder C. E. Gower.

The Association then suspended business to listen to the Missionary sermon preached by Elder M. D. Jeffries from the 51st division of the Psalms, 10th verse. After which a collection was taken for Foreign Missions amounting to $15 04.

The Association then resumed business, and adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

The report on Periodicals resumed. Further remarks were made by Elder A. D. Cohen. Report adopted.

On motion, a committee was appointed on Domestic and Indian Missions consisting of Elders C. C. Newton, A. D. Cohen and J. W. F. Rogers.

Elder M. D. Jeffries read the report on Education:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The year 1883 marks an era in educational interest among Baptists in North Carolina. A foundation having been laid years ago, there has been a steady and healthy growth all through the years. To-day we have a school for the education of our young men equal to any in the State. The permanency of the school is an established fact; but the question this year before the Baptists of North Carolina is, Will they so endow and equip their school that it will do the important work which it can and ought to do? Prof C E Taylor is now before the brethren asking them to complete to $100.000 the endowment of Wake Forest College. Within the last ten months $20,000 in cash have been paid into the college treasury, $15,000 more have been pledged, mostly in large sums, by reliable brethren, to be paid before the end of the year. Twelve thousand dollars are still lacking, and the time is short. This movement will either be a success or a failure on the 31st of December, 1883.

As we look over the State and the South we see numbers of useful and godly men who have gone out from our school; they are an honor alike to the school and to our denomination. This fact alone should move every Baptist with a desire to have a part in training yet more such men. Wake Forest must have $100,000 endowment, and we must give our share. While we are helping to do this permanent work for the college, we must continue our aid to the young men now at school and receiving help from the Board. There are 35 such men at Wake Forest and the Seminary, and of these Mt. Zion Association supports two. Let us then recognize the importance of sending regular and large contributions to the Educational Board. We can't afford not to have a good share in this work.

M. D. JEFFRIES,
J. M. HILLIARD,
M. T. HORTON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Prof. C. E. Taylor and Elder C. Durham.

Pending the motion to adopt, a collection was taken for the endowment of Wake Forest College, and pledges were made as follows, to-wit:

W. H. Merritt, $100; J. E. Jones, $100; W. L. Wright,

100 acres of land; Wm. A. Marcom, $50; C. E. Gower, $100; H. Sears, $50; W. H. Patterson, $25; Mrs. Wm. A. Marcom, $50; E. D. Council, $50; G. W. Foushee, $25; T. M. Mason, $25; John Cheek, $25; M. S. Hackney, $25; C. P. Stone, $20; C. R. Scott, R. A. Patterson, J. D. Yates, J. Y. Merritt, M. B. Merritt, W. A. Barbee, L. B. Yates, J. W. Beavers, M. J. Smith, D. F. Parish, B. F. Markham, M. T. Horton, E. D. Davis, $10 each; Enoch Sykes, C. E. Beavers, H. C. Williams, R. H. Barbee, R. H. Beavers, W. H. Lloyd, Mrs. John Beavers, $5 each; W. E. Glenn, $1; Mrs. C. H. Beavers, 25c; J. M. Baucom, ½ acre lot in Durham—amounting to $811.25, besides the land.

Report adopted.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Elder C. Durham again read the report on Foreign Missions:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There are five things we all ought to do:

(1.) We ought to study the Bible more with special reference to this great work.

(2.) We ought to inform ourselves about the success, the needs, and the prospects of the work. This we can do by reading books on Missions and the *Foreign Mission Journal.*

(3.) We ought to pray God to send forth more men to preach the gospel to the heathen, and to give His Spirit to guide in all that is done for the salvation of the world.

(4). We ought to talk more about this work in our families, in our Sunday Schools and in our churches.

(5.) We ought to give more largely and more systematically of our means for the support of this work.

C. DURHAM, Chairman Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elders W. L. Wright and C. Durham.

On motion, the report was laid on the table until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Elder R. A. Patterson read the report on delegates to the Baptist State Convention, as follows:

C P Stone, W C Cole, J W Hackney, A Johnson, Thomas Olive, Robert Williams, G W Foushee, J F Williams, M B Merritte, P P Booker, W H Lloyd, Wm Faucette, A P Cates, Chesley Moore, R A Moore, Asa Pickette, R M Jones, D F McDuffie, J L Markham and John Cheek.

R A PATTERSON,
G O COLE,
W L GRIFFIN,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Elder J. J. Lansdell read the report on the Development of the Churches:

REPORT ON CHURCH DEVELOPMENT.

A church of Christ is, among other features, a congregation of saved sinners. As such, each member, as well as the church in the aggregate, should earnestly enquire his or her duty and seize first opportunities for the discharge of duty. Land must not only be cleared and fenced, but the soil must be tilled to reap a profitable harvest, and the work in each department must be done in its season. In this way the strength of the soil is developed. It is just so in church work. As labor developes natural things so it does spiritual graces.

1. First of all we need more spirituality. This gives the churches of Christ their real power. Without this all else is a blasted shell.

The gospel plan of church membership supposes that all church members are born of the Spirit. But spirituality is a subject of culture and development. The churches and the pastors ought to seek to draw out the gifts of the brethren, in praying in public and in exhortation. It is a matter of congratulation that singing has been cultivated so successfully among our churches during the last ten or fifteen years. And the same amount of diligence will deveop gifts in public prayer and exhortation in equal proportion to the gift of singing. There is too much deficiency in some of our churches in public prayer and exhortation. There can be improvement at this point, and we urge an effort in that direction.

2. The spirit of liberality ought to be constantly kept before our churches. Our prayers and alms ought to go up before God together. We need not look for a time when there will be no demand upon the churches for contributions to advance the cause of Christ. When the time comes that Christians need not pray, just then will be the time when they need not give, and not until then. And we ought to be punctual in our offerings. The important matter is, how to secure this development.

1st. By our pastors preaching these points. A man who fails to preach of liberality fails to preach the whole gospel as much as if he failed to preach on prayer. And we need more preaching and more pastoral work. Every church that can ought to have preaching every Sabbath. They need pastors, not mere visitors.

2d. By deacons' work. The deacons ought to be men of God, approved for their works of faith and labors of love. They should be leaders in liberality, and if pastors will not preach on this subject the deacons ought to exhort on it.

3d. By Sabbath School work. This ought to be the initial. The pastor and deacons, the brethren and sisters, and all the children in the neighborhood ought to be in the Sabbath School, and the young ought to be brought up with the idea that liberality is an integral part of the Christian system.

We think much good might grow out of an annual or semi-annual pastors' conference, to talk to each other about the work, to devise plans for usefulness and pray together for the success of their work.

A. D. Hunter,
J. J. Lansdell,
John Cheek,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder J. J.

Lansdell and Bro. N. B. Broughton, and the report adopted.

The report on place and stated services of the next Association was read as follows:

Chapel Hill as the place; Elder C E Gower to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder R A Moore alternate; Elder J C Wilson to preach the Missionary Sermon, and Elder W L Wright alternate.

Report adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Prayer, Elder A. D. Cohen leading.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, Oct. 11th, 1883.

The Association met and spent half an hour in religious exercises.

The Moderator then called the Association to order.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The subject of Foreign Missions was taken from the table for further discussion, and remarks were made by Bro. N. B. Broughton, Elders M. D. Jeffries and R. A. Patterson.

The report was adopted.

Elder W. L. Wright read the report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

What we call State Missions is the work of giving the gospel to the destitute sections of North Carolina. The work is done by various agencies.

1. By the State Mission Board, composed of seventy-two ministers and laymen from every Association in North Carolina east of the Blue Ridge. This Board is located in Raleigh, and has an office with an active and efficient Secretary, Bro. John E. Ray.
2. By Associational Boards or Committees.
3. By churches taking certain destitute points and developing them.
4. By voluntary work on the part of pastors.
5. By layman holding prayer-meetings and organizing and helping to sustain Sunday Schools in destitute sections.

THE WORK OF THE STATE BOARD.

For many years this Board has done a most noble work, and each year the work is growing. The following items will show the work for three-quarters of this year: Missionaries, 54; sermons, 2,001; churches supplied, 66; stations, 88; protracted meetings, 29; profes-

sions, 348; weeks of labor, 864; prayer meetings, 591; religious visits, 3,468; baptisms, 251; added by letter, 107; churches organized, 7; churches finished, 6; churches building, 12; Sunday Schools, 66; paid to Missionaries since last November, $3,000; now due them, $2,100. These facts are encouraging except the debt upon the Board. The Mt. Zion Association is pledged for $100 to this work. Let us go beyond this pledge and go up to the Convention with no debt.

THE WORK IN OUR ASSOCIATION SINCE LAST MEETING.

Rev. C. E. Gower has labored since January 1st at Graham and Mebanesville. He reports as follows: Baptized, 1; received by letter, 1; sermons, 40; the field has contributed to benevolent objects. $18.00; to his support, $90.00. Sunday Schools at Graham, Mebaneville and Belmont prosperous.

Rev. R. A. Patterson has labored at Betheden since last Association, and a church has been organized with 23 members. Baptized since, 4; received by letter, 3; making a membership of 30. A five acre lot has been purchased and some work done towards a building. The Sunday School numbers 48.

Rev. W. L. Wright labored at Red Mountain from the meeting of the Association till January, at which time the church became self-supporting. Since that time he has baptized. The church has expended $100 in ceiling the church, putting in stoves, &c., and has contributed to benevolent objects $50.00. They have also added by gift two acres to the church lot, making five in all.

Bro. Wright has also labored at Swepsonville during the past year. He held an eight days' meeting after which a church of five members was constituted, and there are five more to join by letter at the next meeting. A Sunday School will be organized soon and work will be done in the direction of securing a lot and building a church. This field has given to the support of the gospel, $40.00 this year.

THE MISSION WORK IN OUR ASSOCIATION SINCE 1871.

For a part of this time there has been no organized effort, so that our active work covers only about six years. There has been eleven churches organized and nine houses built. Their church property is worth more than $6,000; their membership numbers above 500, and their contributions to State Missions, Foreign Missions and Ministerial Education amounted to more than $500. The whole amount paid to missionaries who did this work, to date, $1,577. We see that $500 of this amount has already returned into benevolent channels and it will all and more come back within the next few years. So, financially, our mission work has paid several hundred per cent on the original investment. This, however, is the last consideration. That membership of 500! Their influence for good in time, their praises through eternity! Surely our labors have been blessed! Let us thank God, take courage and go forward.

OUR COLPORTAGE WORK

As reported by Bro. Jeffries, chairman of the committee:

Colportage statement, September 28th, 1883:

Stock of books,	$188 84
Bibles,	62 65
Baptist Doctrines,	81 00
	$332 49

Miles travelled, 1,531; time, 5 months and 7 days; salary paid, $24.34; on hand, $31.26.

Bro. Moore paid in	$920 59
Handled,	1,200 08
Capital,	114 50

This work has been a most glorious success, and reflects credit on Bro. Jeffries, chairman of the committee, and upon Bro. R. A. Moore, colporteur.

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS.

1st. While we are pressing mission work in our own Association let each church contribute something regularly to aid the State Board. We are stronger at home by helping the regions beyond.

2nd. We would urge our pastors to seek opportunities for doing voluntary mission work, and our laymen to conduct prayer meetings and Sunday Schools in destitute sections.

3rd. The mission work in this Association has been a means of grace to the older churches.

4th. There is much destitution in our very midst yet. Let us enlarge and press our work, doing more the coming year than ever before.

W. L. WRIGHT,
J. E. JONES,
H. Q. STRAIN,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elders W. L. Wright and C. Durham.

A collection was taken amounting, in cash and pledges, to $139.87.

Report adopted.

Elder A. G. McManaway was invited to a seat with us, representing the Domestic and Indian Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and presented his mission in a very interesting and forcible speech, and requested that one brother from each church be designated to solicit contributions from his church for that object, which was done as follows:

ANTIOCH—C W Lloyd
BEREA—A N Lee
BETHEL—H W Lloyd
BELVIN—M Durham
CANE CREEK—Enoch Sykes
CHAPEL HILL—M T Castleberry
DURHAM—R T Howerton
GRAHAM—R A Noel
HILLSBORO—W L Wright
LYSTRA—P M Pearson
MT. CARMEL—L W Williams
MT. PISGAH—L D Baucom
MT. MORIAH—H. Q Strain

MT. GILEAD—W L Griffin
MT. HERMON—Samuel Couch
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OLIVE'S CHAPEL—A T Olive
PLEASANT GROVE—P M Mills
ROBERSON'S GROVE—J F McDuffie
ROSE OF SHARON—S Browning
SANDY LEVEL—J C Hocut
SPRING HILL—J W Hackney
PLEASANT HILL—A Johnson
YATES—G D Markham
CEDAR FORK—P H Barbee
BETHEDEN—W P Roberts
SWEPSONVILLE—W L Wright

On motion, Elder S. H. Thompson was allowed fifteen minutes to present his claims in behalf of Lexington church, after which a collection was taken for that object amounting to $23 00.

The Association then adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Elder C. C. Newton read the report on Domestic and Indian Missions:

REPORT ON DOMESTIC AND INDIAN MISSIONS.

The field of operations of this Board is very extensive, embracing the South and West. The Board does not supplant or do the work of State Boards, but appoints missionaries throughout this broad scope of country where the destitution is the greatest. The receipts for the year were $45,000. It employed 95 persons who, under the blessings of God, have done much towards building up the waste places of Zion.

The three most important points of the Home Mission work are:

1. NEW ORLEANS.—Rev. S. Landrum, of Coliseum Place Church, and Rev. M. C. Cole, of the 1st Church, are earnestly engaged in preaching the pure word in this benighted city. The 1st Church had a debt of $10,000 hanging over it and crushing it down. This has been reduced to $4,000, and arrangements made to meet that. We confidently look for great results here.

2. Among the Chinese in California, where Dr. and Mrs. Hartwell and Mrs. Sandford are meeting with encouraging success. Let us plant in these hearts the seeds of the gospel, so that when they return to their country, should they ever do so, they may spread the seeds of truth among the 400,000,000 of their countrymen.

3. Among the Indians in the Indian Territory. It was once thought that the Indians could never be christianized, but now this thought is forever exploded. There is no minister among us whose labors

have been so abundantly blessed as Dr. Buckner's among the Indians. The Levering Mission School is also doing a grand work.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Bro. R. T. Howerton read the report on Finance:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for State Missions,	$123 44
" " Foreign Missions,	49 34
" " Ministerial Education,	35 41
" " Oxford Asylum,	1 16
" " Minute Fund,	57 10
Amount of public collection for Foreign Missions,	15 38
" " " " State Missions,	58 29
Total,	$340 12

R. T. HOWERTON,
J. N. CHEEK,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Finance Committee was directed to pay over the minute fund to the Clerk of this Association to the amount of $57.10.

Elder J. C. Wilson read the report on Building Houses of Worship:

REPORT ON BUILDING HOUSES OF WORSHIP.

Your committee is glad to be able to report some improvement in church building. Fifty years back our fathers worshipped in exceedingly uncomfortable and unattractive houses, being built in many instances of logs daubed with mortar, without ventilation, or means of heating. Of later years framed houses have taken the place of log houses, and ceiling the place of mortar, and stoves are used for heating. But improvement in this direction has not yet reached its climax. Most of our country church houses, and some in our towns, are so badly constructed that they are more adapted to farm or warehouses than to the worship of God. The more comfortable a workman is situated, and the more pleasant his surroundings, the better service will he render. Hence, to worship God in an acceptable manner, we must be comfortably situated, with pleasant surroundings. This is impossible in a large majority of our houses of worship, owing to their ill construction and incompleteness.

In some sections we need fewer houses and better houses; in other sections we need more houses and better houses. Experience and observation have taught us that much depends on the construction of a house to be adapted to the worship of God; as such the temple was built by divine devisal. Experience also teaches us that suita-

ble houses, properly constructed, can be built at nearly the same cost as unsuitable ones improperly constructed.

We are of the opinion, judging from experience and observation, that there are but few, if any churches in our Association, in need of a better church house, that is not amply able to build it. In order to encourage improvement and progress in church building in the bounds of our Association, we recommend the appointment of a committee, consisting of three judicious brethren, to give designs and advice in erecting houses of worship at all our mission points where houses are needed, and at all other places where information is desired.

J. C. WILSON,
J. J. LANSDELL,
R. A. PATTERSON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Elder J. J. Lansdell.

Report adopted.

Elder M. D. Jeffries read the report on Sunday Schools:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We would urge that all our church members, old as well as young, attend our Sunday schools, and labor in them and make them evergreen. We would urge that teachers and scholars be more diligent in the study of the word of God. We urge the schools to purchase all the needed helps in the way of books and maps, and report all their contributions, so that we may see the development in benevolence. The one great leading aim of all Sunday school workers, is to lead souls to Christ.

G. P. MOORE,
for Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Bro. N. B. Broughton and Elder A. D. Hunter.

Report adopted.

On motion, a committee of three brethren was appointed, according to the recommendation in the report of the committee on Building Houses of Worship, as follows: Elders W. L. Wright, R. A. Patterson and C. Durham.

Bro. C. R. Scott, the Clerk of the Association, then offered his resignation.

On motion, his resignation was not accepted, but the constitution was so amended as to allow him $15 instead of $10.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with Chapel Hill church.

Prayer, Elder C. C. Newton leading.

J. P. MASON, MODERATOR.

C. R. SCOTT, *Clerk.*

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the MT. ZION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ART. 2. The Association shall meet annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October and be composed of the ordained ministers belonging to, and of members chosen annually by the several churches belonging to this body, who by presenting letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 3. The number of delegates from each church shall be three, and one additional delegate for each Sabbath School connected with that church, who shall be a member of some Baptist Church.

ART. 4. The letters from the churches shall state the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and died during the past year, the total number in fellowship, and the amount paid as pastor's salary, incidental expenses, minute fund, for the poor, State, Foreign and Indian Missions, Education, Oxford Orphan Asylum and Sabbath Schools. These and all other matters of finance connected with the churches, and the number of copies of the *Biblical Recorder* taken by the churches shall be published in the minutes.

ART. 5. The members thus convened shall sit as an advisory council, who shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

ART. 6. In all their discussions and acts this Association shall recognize Christ as the only lawgiver of Zion, and that every individual church is an independent body, with executive but no legislative powers.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of this Association when requested by aggrieved churches to hear their grievances, give appropriate advice, or send committees to aid them in their difficulties. If the minority of a church is aggrieved with the majority, upon application, they shall be entitled to the same consideration. Individual applications will not be entertained.

ART. 8. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church that shall knowingly and wilfully depart from the orthodox principles of the religion as taught in the Bible, and held by the regular Baptists as the true teachings thereof.

ART. 9. The officers of this body shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, a Historian, and an Auditor.

ART. 10. The Moderator shall be elected annually by ballot and shall preside at all the meetings of this body.

ART. 11. The Clerk shall be elected by ballot and hold his office during the pleasure of the body. He shall during all the session of the same keep a faithful record of its proceedings and have the minutes published and distributed to the churches according to the amount paid by each for said object. He shall be paid fifteen dollars each year out of the minute fund for this work.

ART. 12. The Historian shall be appointed by the Moderator, and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall collect and put in some durable form all facts of interest about each of the churches, and report at each session of this body.

ART. 13. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall receive and pay over to the proper parties all the money contributed by the churches, and make an annual report to the Association.

ART. 14. The Auditor shall be appointed by the Moderator and hold his office during the pleasure of the same, and shall annually examine the Treasurer's books and see that they are kept in an intelligent business-like way, and attest the report.

ART. 15. Any member of this Association visiting other similar bodies shall be authorized to represent us therein.

ART. 16. This Association shall be auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention in all its Educational, Mission, Sabbath School and other work.

ART. 17. Baptist churches, on application for admission into this body, shall be received and their delegates seated, if satisfactory evidence is given that they are truly of our faith and order.

ART. 18. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.
Antioch,	D. M. Durham, Bradshaw, N. C.,	8	50	58	.....
Bethel,	H. W. Lloyd,	9	84	93	100
Berea,	William H. Atkins,	4	106	110	40
Belvin,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Betheden,	S. S. Cates,	8	40	48	.....
Cane Creek,	N. A. Cates, Rock Spring, N. C.,	11	126	137	.....
Chapel Hill,	Prof. J. W. Gore, Chapel Hill,	12	135	147	175
Cedar Fork,	Branch School, W. G. Page,	4	30	34	.....
Durham,	R. T. Howerton, Durham, N. C.,	24	286	310	600
Graham,	R. A. Noel, Graham, N. C.,	4	20	24	.....
Hillsboro,	J. E. Jones, Hillsboro, N. C.,	4	42	46	.....
Lystra,	P. M. Pearson,	6	64	70	50
Mt. Carmel,	L. W. Williams,	5	48	53	50
Mt. Pisgah,	L. D. Baucom, Morrisville, N. C.,	9	81	90	200
Mt. Moriah,	F. M. Cheek,	4	112	116	30
Mt. Gilead,	J. Q. Bryant,	9	60	69	.....
Mt. Hermon,	W. M. Stroud,	10	25	35	50
Moore's Chapel,	Chesley Moore, Saxapahaw, N C.,	5	35	40	.....
Mars Hill,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olive's Chapel,	J. C. Olive,	5	50	55	.....
Pleasant Grove,	M. T. Horton,	6	40	46	50
Pleasant Hill,	A. S. Garner,	6	40	46	.....
Roberson's Grove,	John M. Colclough,	5	30	35	60
Rose of Sharon,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Mountain,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Level,	S. D. Markham, Durham, N. C.,	7	53	60	40
Spring Hill,	W. J. Hackney,	7	40	47	58
Swepsonville,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yates,	J. W. Carlton,	5	45	50	60
		177	1642	1819	1563

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches.	Pastors and their Post Offices.	Clerks and their Post Offices.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Total Added.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Loss.	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total.
Antioch	C. C. Newton, Chapel Hill, N. C.	T. M. Roberson, Bradshaw, N. C.	2nd	.....	9	1	10	3	8	1	12	32	68	100
Bethel	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill, N. C.	W. V. Andrews, Chapel Hill, N. C.	4th	.....	5	...	5	16	5	5	26	62	82	144
Berea	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level, N. C.	G. A. Barbee, Durham, N. C.	4th	4	1	...	5	1	2	...	3	47	81	128
Belvin	.....	M. B. Durham, Fish Dam, N. C.	3rd	.....	1	...	1	.....	...	1	1	11	18	29
Betheden	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	W. P. Roberts, Hillsboro, N. C.	4th	4	3	...	7	.....	...	...	.....	15	15	30
Cane Creek	C. E. Gower, Graham, N. C.	D. M. Sykes, Rock Spring, N. C.	4th	4	.....	...	4	28	...	3	31	73	144	217
Chapel Hill	M. D. Jeffries, Chapel Hill, N. C.	A. J. McDade, Chapel Hill, N. C.	Ev'y	10	9	1	20	7	2	2	11	70	93	163
Cedar Fork	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level, N. C.	W. H. Weatherspoon, Morrisville	2nd	26	.....	2	28	9	...	3	12	71	164	235
Durham	C. Durham, Durham, N. C.	W. H. Muse, Durham, N. C.	Ev'y	8	15	3	26	24	4	8	36	87	156	243
Graham	C. E. Gower, Graham, N. C.	Jas. A. Graham, Graham, N. C.	3 & 4	1	1	...	2	.....	2	...	2	12	19	31
Hillsboro	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro, N. C.	J. E. Jones, Hillsboro, N. C.	2 & 4	.....	5	1	6	1	1	...	2	10	24	34
Lystra	C. C. Newton, Chapel Hill, N. C.	W. C. Cole, Chapel Hill, N. C.	1 & 3	29	3	...	32	1	2	3	6	80	117	197
Mt. Carmel	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro, N. C.	W. G. Clements, Rialto, N. C.	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	8	...	8	29	48	77
Mt. Pisgah	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	J. W. Beavers, Williams' Mill	2 & 4	.....	8	1	9	3	1	6	10	90	157	247
Mt Moriah	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	R. P. Strayhorn, University Stat'n	1st	25	9	1	35	7	1	1	9	67	54	121
Mt. Gilead	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	J. D. Brasington, Pittsboro, N. C.	1st	10	5	...	15	.....	2	...	2	45	86	131
Mt. Hermon	J. P. Mason, Chapel Hill, N. C.	H. C. McCauley, Hillsboro, N. C.	3rd	2	2	...	4	6	1	1	8	31	65	96
Moore's Chapel	R. A. Moore, Saxapahaw, N. C.	J. H. Winningham, Saxapahaw	2nd	5	1	...	6	.....	6	2	8	31	34	65
Mars Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olive's Chapel	J. C. Wilson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	J. H. Olive, Apex, N. C.	2rd	6	4	1	11	5	...	1	6	61	111	172
Pleasant Grove	M. S. Ferrell, Green Level, N. C.	J. E. Johnson, Elm Grove, N. C.	3rd	4	6	...	10	4	4	3	11	39	75	114
Pleasant Hill	G. P. Moore, Pittsboro, N. C.	Alfred Johnson, Merry Oaks, N. C.	2nd	5	3	...	8	12	1	...	13	20	31	51
Roberson's Grove	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	A. W. Holloway, Fish Dam, N. C.	2nd	....	2	...	2	2	1	2	5	26	43	69
Rose of Sharon	R. A. Patterson, Gath, N. C.	John L. Scott, Durham, N. C.	3rd	2	2	...	4	.....	...	1	1	31	45	76
Red Mountain	W. L. Wright, Hillsboro, N. C.	Robert J. Tilley, South Lowell	1st	20	.....	...	20	1	2	1	4	21	14	35
Sandy Level	John C. Hocutt, Dayton, N. C.	John R. Ross, Durham, N. C.	1st	8	3	...	11	2	2	2	6	32	57	89
Spring Hill	Green King, Osgood, N. C.	W. J. Hackney, Bynum's, N. C.	4th	16	1	...	17	4	...	...	4	18	18	36
Swepsonville	.....	E. M. Cook, Swepsonville, N. C.	3rd	5	.....	...	5	.....	...	...	.....	3	2	5
Yates	A. D. Hunter, Apex, N. C.	J. W. Carlton, Durham, N. C.	3rd	26	4	...	30	.....	1	...	1	40	46	86
				220	102	11	333	136	56	46	238	1154	1877	3031

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor	Minute Fund.	Total.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Sunday Schools.	Indian Missions.	Oxford Orphan Asylum	Total.	Other Objects.	Sum Total.	Recorders Taken.
Antioch,	100 00	$ 36 00	$	$ 2 10	$ 137 55	$ 3 66	$ 4 75	$ 2 25	$ 10 00	$	$ 1 16	$ 21 82	$	$ 159 67	5
Bethel,	100 00	35 00		2 50	137 50	10 19	4 11		9 05		3 65	27 00	97	165 47	8
Berea,	79 75	4 50		1 70	85 95	2 50	4 35	5 75	1 65			14 25		100 20	
Belvin,		3 00		1 00	4 00									4 00	1
Betheden,				1 00	1 00	2 80						2 80	13 00	16 80	3
Cane Creek,	125 00			3 00	128 00	14 00	9 07	95				24 29		152 29	
Chapel Hill,	700 00	60 00		2 00	762 00	119 00	46 84	26 33	66 62	22 45	11 76	293 66	395 12	1,450 78	20
Cedar Fork,	100 00	33 55		2 00	135 55	13 93	6 96	6 9				27 85		163 40	
Durham,	1,200 00	235 00	72 00	4 00	1,511 60	477 75	85 11	76 60	278 00		10 65	926 51	2,401 50	4,839 01	40
Graham,	90 00	20 00		1 00	111 00	9 00	7 50	1 00	8 83			26 58		140 58	2
Hillsboro,	260 00	36 00	10 00	2 00	298 00		15 00	20 64	4 75	12 00	3 31	55 70	634 00	987 70	5
Lystra,	200 00	50 00		2 70	252 20	15 66	12 21	12 85				40 72	15 35	308 27	8
Mt. Carmel,	75 00	103 00		1 75	179 75	2 25	2 25	2 25				6 75		186 50	3
Mt. Pisgah,	125 00	121 98		5 00	251 98	42 84	31 98	26 92	25 50			127 34	13 60	392 92	20
Mt. Moriah,	75 00	320 07		3 00	398 07	7 50	7 50	5 60	10 27			30 27		427 84	6
Mt. Gilead,	75 00	33 51		2 00	110 51	6 65	2 75	4 00	7 50			20 90	1,000 00	1,131 40	12
Mt. Hermon,	100 00			1 50	101 50	2 35	2 31	3 30	2 00			8 96	9 50	119 96	
Moore's Chapel,	100 00	1 75		1 50	103 25	29 00	2 20	5 00	1 30		1 00	38 50	10 00	151 75	7
Mars Hill,															
Olive's Chapel,	100 00	14 20		2 50	116 70	16 73	1 49	5 24				23 46		140 16	12
Pleasant Grove,	75 00	14 00		2 50	91 50	10 25	5 00	6 60	3 50			25 35		126 75	7
Pleasant Hill,	56 00			1 00	57 00									57 00	4
Roberson's Grove,	85 00	1 00		1 50	87 50	22 81	3 25	7 00	4 09			27 15		114 65	5
Rose of Sharon,	100 00			1 50	101 50	16 50						16 50		118 00	3
Red Mountain,	67 25	87 50		1 50	156 25	9 00	4 00					13 00	29 20	198 45	4
Sandy Level,	85 00	2 20	4 85	2 00	94 05	2 50	1 35	2 30	6 02			11 17	5 98	111 20	3
Spring Hill,	40 00	1 55		1 00	42 55	60		2 25				2 85	1 75	47 45	4
Swepsonville,	35 00	4 00		1 50	40 50			10 50				10 50		51 00	3
Yates,	100 00	2 10		1 60	103 70	2 28	11 87	6 12	7 00			27 27	2 15	133 12	10
	4,248 00	1,219 91	86 85	65 30	5,600 06	840 78	271 85	239 81	446 18	34 45	30 93	1,851 15	4,532 12	11,906 02	105